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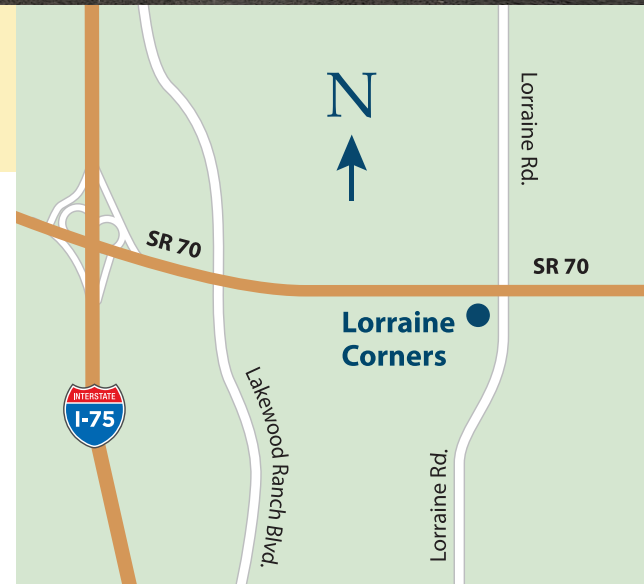
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The Literacy Council of Sarasota (LCS) will sponsor tutor training workshops next month, July 2019, for volunteers who want to help other adults improve their literacy and English communication skills.

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Ranch "Small Cell Tower" Phone Deal May Be Dead

BY ERNIE SOLLER,
Community Correspondent

Over the last year or so, the community development districts (CDDs) of Lakewood Ranch have attempted to bring to fruition a plan to have "small profile" cell phone towers installed in the community, which for years has suffered from an intermittent lack of cell phone connectivity due to an insufficient number of cell towers in the Lakewood Ranch area.

Several years ago, a move was made to install large towers in and around public spaces, but this was scuttled due to concerns among some residents that the towers might be too close to children's play areas, and might possibly pose a health threat.

Back in December of 2016, the Lakewood Ranch CDD boards were contacted by USACran, a cell tower installation company, which offered to work with the community to install small towers in the community that would look more like attractive light poles rather than the heavy-duty structures that residents perhaps felt were needed, but "not in my backyard."

Lakewood Ranch hired a consultant to establish just what level of service was needed, and what sort of equipment would be appropriate to provide high-grade service.

Subsequently, and in accordance with their consultant's recommendations, Lakewood Ranch issued a request for proposal from contractors, eventually selecting USACran to get the job done.

The final contract agreement between the Lakewood Ranch CDDs and USACran specified that certain aesthetic requirements would have to be met, and the final construction of the cell towers would depend on USACran being able to secure the involvement of at least two major cell carriers. If two carriers were not able to agree to joining in the project, USACran could not economically go ahead with the project.

After extending the contract to give USACran more time to get carriers on board, it was announced at the May CDD board meetings that the contract would expire at the end of May, and that USACran had failed to garner sufficient support from the required number of major carriers, thus the deal between Lakewood Ranch and USACran was dead.

However, at the same meetings, it was announced by Executive Director Anne Ross, that AT&T and Verizon had secured permission from Manatee County to install a couple of

large towers: one in the State Road 70/Lorraine Road area, possibly near Our Lady of the Angels Church, which may have the appearance of a large tree, and one further south near Lakewood Ranch Boulevard.

In addition, AT&T and Verizon are apparently looking at installing as many as 10 "small" towers of their own around Lakewood Ranch, but probably not on any CDD-owned property.

REGISTERED VOTERS IN LAKEWOOD RANCH

As Lakewood Ranch grows, the number of registered voters in each district is growing, too. Here is the list by district, compiled as of May 1, 2019:

District 1 - 3,346
District 2 - 2,448
District 4 - 3,119
District 5 - 1,676
District 6 - 682

Total: 8,271 registered voters in Lakewood Ranch

MAINTENANCE BUILDING LAND LEASE

Attorney Andrew Cohen is working on revising the contract language for the lease agreement between Lakewood Ranch and Down to Earth Landscaping for their use of a larger portion of the facility's land area.

REVISION OF LANDSCAPING CONTRACT WITH DOWN TO EARTH

The various CDD boards approved changes in the contract between the Lakewood Ranch CDDs and Down to Earth, inserting clauses for the impositions of financial penalties that Down to Earth would incur if landscaping quality goals are not met. The company has indicated its willingness to accept the new terms.

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS DISCOUNT

Executive Director Anne Ross reported that the Sherwin-Williams paint store at Lorraine Road and University is offering a discount to Lakewood Ranch residents who present proof that they are residents and members of a Lakewood Ranch HOA.

DISTRICT 6 STREET SIGNS

District 6 Supervisor Robert Crain noted that a number of street name signs in the district were in a deteriorated condition and should be replaced or repaired. He requested that the Operations Department move to get this work done.



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Four New Waterside Place Tenants Announced

Four new tenants will open in Lakewood Ranch's 36-acre Waterside Place development, which is currently under construction and set to debut in the fourth quarter of 2020.

The new tenants include Korê, Derek The Salon, PAINT Nail Bar and SmithLaw, which join previously announced Foundation Coffee Co., The Yoga Shack, SoFresh and Kilwins.

In addition, The Adley at Lakewood Ranch Waterside, opened at the end of May. The pet-friendly development will offer 299 one-, two- and three-bedroom units starting at \$1,400 per month, as well as a suite of resort-style amenities, including a two-story fitness center, a relaxing saltwater pool with a sun-deck, and a screened-in outdoor kitchen with lounge seating.

When complete, Waterside Place will serve as the heart of Waterside, Lakewood Ranch's newest village – which is situated around seven pristine lakes with 20 miles of shoreline and acres of nature preserve – as well as the entire Manatee and Sarasota area. It will blend lifestyle and the arts with 115,000 square feet of unique in-line and freestanding commercial, retail and office space; diverse dining options; an eight-acre park; and miles of nature trails.

Korê, a new Asian restaurant concept by the owners of JPan Sushi & Grill, will open its first location in Waterside Place. This first-to-market eatery will feature Korean barbeque prepared tableside, a sushi bar, and an upscale cocktail lounge with a unique selection of Japanese whiskey.

"Korê will deliver the palate pleasing flavors that Jpan Sushi & Grill customers have come to love, and also offer unique dish-



es that diners would likely find in larger metropolitan cities like New York and San Francisco," said Daniel Dokko, founder of Jpan Sushi & Grill and Korê. "I'm excited to debut this concept in such a supportive community, which I'm fortunate to call home."

Founded in 2015, Derek The Salon will feature a professional team of artistic visionaries, many with more than 15 years of experience, who offer unparalleled advice and skills along with services ranging from hair treatments, cuts and extensions, to cutting-edge styling, color treatments and up-dos. The upscale Waterside Place boutique will be Derek The Salon's second in the area, and is set to become a relaxing retreat for Lakewood Ranch

residents and visitors.

Established in 2015, PAINT Nail Bar is a popular franchise with salons across the U.S., exuding the qualities of a chic home, complete with rustic wood floors, ceramic basins and elegant chandeliers. Guests will enjoy affordable luxury services and impeccable customer service. The salon also offers waterless pedicures and "chip-free" gel manicures using best-in-class products that are vegan friendly and "five-free," providing a healthier alternative to the chemicals in regular nail polish.

Relocating to Waterside Place from Sarasota, SmithLaw is a general practice law firm representing individuals, estates and small businesses throughout the state. The practice's group of respected and experienced attorneys and paralegals offer clients personal and efficient service with a team approach to every case. Many clients are lifelong customers.

"We look forward to welcoming these exceptional new tenants to Waterside Place," said Kirk Boylston, president of LWR Commercial. "We continue to foster relationships with new retailers and encourage others to inquire about opportunities to join this dynamic town center."

Situated on a 36-acre peninsula overlooking the mile-wide Kingfisher Lake, Waterside Place includes numerous unique communal parks and "pop-out" spaces, which will encourage gathering and interaction among visitors and businesses. The town center will further activate the dynamic area by hosting festivals, farmers' markets, and more.

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All residents of Lakewood Ranch are welcome to attend this free event at Lakewood Ranch Town Hall. All attendees will go home with a gift bag sponsored by Lakewood Ranch Community Activities! For more information, visit LWRCA.org.

On July 6, **spend the day with the Rays!** The Tampa Bay Rays are welcoming Lakewood Ranch community members to watch our hometown team take on the New York Yankees at Tropicana Field. This exclusive offer from the Rays includes your choice of a FREE Rays hat for a total value of \$100! There are a limited number of tickets available - visit lwrdaywiththerays.org to purchase your tickets! Time to RAYS up!

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CLUB NEWS

Here's your monthly selection of upcoming LWR community groups and social club events to help you find a fun summer activity. Sign up today to meet new neighbors, get engaged, and have fun!

THE LWR DIGITAL PHOTO CLUB meets the third Wednesday of every month at the Grace Community Church, 6932 Professional Parkway E., Lakewood Ranch. For more, contact Larry Deitch at larrydeitch@gmail.com or visit LWRdpc.com.

ADULT SOCCER CLUB meets from 8-11 a.m. every Saturday at Summerfield soccer field. During Daylight Saving, March 15 - Nov. 1, they additionally meet from 5:30-8 p.m. at Summerfield soccer field. For more information, contact Steve Burge at stephenburge@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S EXERCISE CLUB: The LWR Women's Exercise Club now has a new location! On Mondays and Wednesdays, we work out to our





low-impact videos at Lakewood Ranch Town Hall North and on Fridays we are at the original Town Hall. We do have a \$35 charge for the year, but you can come and try it out to see if you like it first. If you are interested in joining us just show up or contact Valerie Kerwin at valerieblackkerwin@gmail.com.

SHANTI YOGA CLUB meets from 10-11 a.m. every Friday

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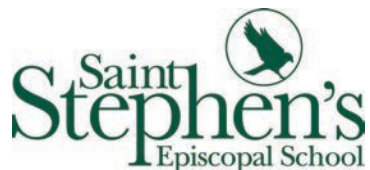
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OTHER NEWS:

There will be a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 26 at the Lakewood Ranch Medical Center's main entrance, at 8330 Lakewood Ranch Blvd. All donors will receive a wellness check including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count and cholesterol screening. Donors will also be entered into a drawing to win a \$25 gift card. Walk-ins are welcome. For more information call 1-866-97-BLOOD.

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The actors in the Bradenton Junior Women's Club who staged *Hansel & Gretel* in 1947 could scarcely have imagined that their blossoming community theater group, the Manatee Players, would grow into a production powerhouse more than 300 volunteers strong.

Much has changed over seven decades. In addition to its legion of unpaid actors and backstage crew, the organization now employs nine full-time and six part-time staffers and contracts with about 70 professionals a year to oversee directing, lighting, scenery, and more. Running two summer camps for kids, as well as workshops and classes for individuals who range in age from 7 to 98. The most visible manifestation of success, the Manatee Performing Arts Center, welcomed its first audience in 2013 and encompasses Stone Hall (the main stage theater), Bradenton Kiwanis Theater, Rae's Cabaret in the lobby, and the Kiwanis Ballroom. The facility is available not just for top-billed shows but for wedding receptions, conferences, school recitals and more.

"The expanded scope, staff, and space -that's change. Continuity lies in the sense of community," says CEO Janene Amick. "It's still a core of who we are."

As the region changes, Amick says, the organization must be willing to hear and seek out what people want to see at their local performing arts center. Social media polls, paper surveys, donor interviews, talks with parents whose kids attend camp- these all contribute to the vision. "We also look at other successes in our community and mirror some of those programs," says Amick. "Now we're incorporating more tribute concerts and more opportunities for live music."

Musicals are "what our patrons really love," says Kirby, who determines the theatrical program. The Broadway Series plays in Stone Hall. *West Side Story* plays it cool in August, for instance, and *It's A Wonderful Life* heart warms in December. *Damn Yankees* opens in February 2020, only with a twist; Kirby has arranged with the licensing agencies to make the Pittsburgh Pirates, who

spring-train in Bradenton, the featured team. For the Studio Series in the smaller Bradenton Kiwanis Theater, Kirby picks works with high emotion and social impact (*Tuesdays with Morrie*, for instance, in October) and



scripts with a challenge that excites actors (*Doubt, A Parable*, March 2020). Taking a front- or back-stage role in a Manatee Players show is a "labor of love," Amick says. High school students planning to major in theater in college gain experience for a resume. Older adults find an artistic outlet. "For some folks, it's a way to "give back to the community," Amick says. "Some may not have financial means to help the organization, so this is their way of making that donation. And people support a neighbor by buying a ticket to see them perform."

Kirby marvels at the actors who audition. Last November's ecstatically reviewed *Cabaret* drew its stars from Tampa

(the emcee) and Orlando (Cliff). "I feel incredibly lucky that these talented people find us," he says.

From listening to their constituencies, Amick and Kirby have identified education as Manatee Performing Arts Centers next growth area. "We want to provide more formal opportunities for training in technical and performing arts," says Amick. Students of various ages want to learn specific skills, like voice or costume design. Manatee Performing Arts Center might offer a lighting course or teach carpentry in the context of set building. For university students, the organization plans to expand its internships, especially popular since the organization can offer housing on campus, "a big perk," says Kirby. Several former interns have graduated to staff.

"We love the fact that we're providing entertainment year-round," adds Amick. "Hard workers who live here -they need that outlet. There's something happening almost every weekend: dance recital, live concert, guest speaker." She and Kirby would like classes to run on 12-month calendar as well. "We want to make sure there's always something for someone," Amick says.



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Toll Brothers is offering several quick delivery homes at The Isles at Lakewood Ranch.

The Isles at Lakewood Ranch is a gated community of 450 single-family homes located within The Ranch. It will feature numerous amenities, including a future private residents' clubhouse with a state-of-the-art fitness center and resort-style swimming pool, as well as a variety of parks, including a dog park, boardwalk, and walking trails.

The Isles at Lakewood Ranch quick delivery homes include the Biscayne Island Colonial, Carver Caribbean, Sandpiper Island Colonial, and Maxwell Antilles.

The 2,995 square-foot Biscayne Island Colonial features three bedrooms, three bathrooms, and a two-car garage. Highlights include elegant coffered ceilings in the oversized great room and adjacent dining room, a gourmet kitchen with upgraded cabinets and granite countertops, a private study, master suite with a large walk-in closet, master bath with dual vanities, and an outdoor living area with water views, and is priced at \$617,838.

Situated on a home site with private preserve views, the 2,858 square-foot Carver Caribbean features an open floor plan with three bedrooms, three and one-half bathrooms, and a two-car garage. The home features a gourmet kitchen with quartz countertops, a great room with sliding glass doors that lead to a screened-in lanai, and a master bedroom highlighted by a coffered ceiling and two walk-in closets; it is priced at \$639,042.

The 2,710 square-foot Sandpiper Island Colonial features three bedrooms, three and one-half bathrooms, and a three-car garage. The home includes a spacious great room with direct access to the covered lanai, a gourmet kitchen with quartz countertops, and a master bedroom with two walk-in closets and an expanded master bath. Additional appointments include wood flooring in the den and study. Picturesque preserve views can be enjoyed from the main living areas of the home, which is priced at \$669,245.

The Maxwell Antilles features a 3,640 square-foot floor plan with four bedrooms, four and one-half bathrooms, and a three-car garage. The home boasts upgraded tile floors throughout the open concept living area, which encompasses the great room, a gourmet kitchen with stacked cabinets, and a casual dining area. The master suite has a coffered ceiling, large walk-in closet, and a master bath with a standalone tub and a glass-enclosed shower. There is an expansive screened-in lanai and outdoor living area with a heated swimming pool and spa. The Maxwell Antilles is priced at \$859,036.

"These spectacular homes are ideal for buyers who want to move in quickly to this vibrant community," said Rodney Tucker, vice president of Toll Brothers Southwest Florida. "We encourage home buyers to visit The Isles at Lakewood Ranch today to tour these homes and explore their amazing features."

Priced from the mid-\$400,000s, The Isles at Lakewood Ranch also offers 15 home designs with an array of luxury



appointments, including gourmet kitchens, spacious living areas, and private master bedroom suites. Many of the community's home sites feature water and preserve views.

Home buyers can also work with an onsite design consultant to choose from hundreds of options to personalize their new home at The Isles at Lakewood Ranch Design Studio.

Located at 17523 Fairwinds Drive, the three designer-decorated model homes and sales center are open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Located off University Parkway, just east of Lorraine Road, The Isles at Lakewood Ranch is conveniently located near I-75, as well as shopping, dining, and entertainment at Lakewood Ranch's Main Street, and Waterside Place, which is under construction. A new Publix Super Market recently opened just two miles from the community.

For more information, call 941-313-7373 or visit IslesAtLakewoodRanch.com.



Clockwise from top: Maxwell Antilles; Biscayne Island Colonial; Sandpiper Island Colonial; Carver Caribbean.

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Detroit Coney Dogs Now Available Locally!

BY ERNIE SOLLER,
Community Correspondent

Back in the early 60s, when I was a high school kid in Detroit, one of our neighbors worked at one of the major Detroit newspapers.

Jack loved baseball, and one summer afternoon, asked if I'd like to go with him to relax in the bleachers and watch the Tigers play. That sounded like a fine idea, especially when Jack told me that we'd be stopping at one of Detroit's old-time Coney Island restaurants to load up on a couple of Detroit Coney Dogs.

I have long forgotten the details of that game, but not the experience of entering this "hot dog heaven," with the aroma of the ingredients wafting from literally piles of freshly cooked dogs, along with large containers of hot chili, mustard and chopped onions. I, being a perpetually hungry teenager at the time, remember the joy surrounding the gastronomical delight of savoring the unique taste of a genuine Detroit Coney Dog, cooked and rapidly prepared in one of Detroit's two premier Coney Dog restaurants, both of which are located on Lafayette Avenue in downtown Detroit, only a few blocks away from Tiger



PHOTO BY ERNIE SOLLER

Stadium.

The restaurants were founded by brothers – two Greek immigrants who came to America to seek their fortune.

Gust Keros came to America in 1903 and headed to Detroit to find work. After selling hot dogs from a food cart, he opened American Coney Island on Lafayette Avenue in 1917. A while later, Gust brought his brother to America and eventually, his brother opened his own Coney Island restaurant – Lafayette Coney Island – right next door to American Coney Island!

Talk about sibling rivalry. For years, it has been a staple of Detroit's urban legends that

there was bad blood between the brothers but over the years, the competition seemed to strengthen both businesses, and there are still "loyalists" who would feel that they were betraying their standards should they venture into "that other place" on Lafayette Avenue in Detroit.

So what does all this have to do with restaurants in the Greater Lakewood Ranch area in Florida? There's a restaurant here in our area that brings some of the great Greek-made food to Greater Lakewood Ranch. The restaurant is called the Eastside Diner. It opened in May of 2018, and is owned by a Greek guy from ... Detroit (where else)!

Nick Syros is the owner of the Eastside diner, and the name is a tribute to Nick's dad, Dimitri, who came from Greece in the 1960s. He operated a series of well-received restaurants in the Warren, Michigan area, just north of Detroit, known as Dimitri's Fine Food, beginning in the early 1970s. Now, here in Florida, Nick, who started working in his dad's restaurant at the age of 12, runs the Eastside Diner.

The Eastside Diner features some of Dimitri's Fine Food's Greek specialties, such as the

Greek salad, made using Dimitri's secret recipe dressing; spinach pie, chicken lemon rice soup, pitas, along with broasted chicken, etc.

However, the extensive menu doesn't list one of the secrets of the Eastside Diner: the Diner serves up Detroit Coney dogs! That's right, folks, Detroit Coney Dogs, complete with chili, chopped onions and mustard, for that old-time Detroit taste.

Detroit "expats" like me will now be able to indulge their taste buds with a true Detroit classic. The regular Detroit Coney Dog, complete with National Chili, lots of yellow mustard, and chopped onions, is served up at the Eastside Diner for only \$3.75. Two Detroit Coney Dogs, with a side order of French fries, takes the price to a still-affordable \$8.95. If you're more – shall we say – "adventurous," you could order the "Diablo Dog," served with barbeque sauce, bacon, cheddar, and jalapenos! Please note, gentle readers, that these are the types of dogs which may be best eaten with a knife and fork, loaded as they are with all the goodies.

Now, if Detroit Coney Dogs aren't quite what you might be seeking for your break-

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Vets, Corvettes, Flags and Kids: The Tribute to Heroes Parade

BY ERNIE SOLLER,
Community Correspondent

First came the Tribute to Heroes banner, then came a marching color guard of older men, their faces lined, their eyes showing pride and resolution, from the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Then came a lineup of Corvettes, both old and new, from sleek high-horsepower newer models, to one classic from 1955, each carrying a veteran who served in our Country's armed forces. At the end of the string of Corvettes came a 1954 Ford, decorated with red, white, and blue bunting.

That marked the beginning of the 2019 edition of Lakewood Ranch's Tribute to Heroes Parade.

After the veterans came the Lakewood Ranch High Marching Band, complete with pompoms and swirled flags, as well as the Lakewood Ranch High Army ROTC cadets.

There were floats, including one that was ridden upon by Robert Kanter, a Purple Heart medal recipient, who stayed busy throwing candy to the kids who lined Main Street. The Sugar Volunteers marched, too.

The Manatee Bulldogs youth football team rode on one

trailer, while their cheerleaders marched down the street in front of them. They were followed by the Girl Scouts and an appropriately-clad group of karate students who looked ready to break a few boards.

Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, carrying their swords, marched down Main Street, followed by red-shirted Knights handing out Tootsie Rolls to the kids (and a few adults hungry for a sugar high). Shriners from the Sahib Shrine Temple came roaring along in their miniature Model Ts, followed by lots of kids riding scooters festooned with red, white and blue.

The DeSoto crew came down Main Street with their "Spanish galleon," complete with "Hernando" himself, sporting a gold suit of armor and high-plumed gold helmet. The Desoto Princess kept quite busy handing out beads to the kids.

Several businesses got involved, as did the Florida Forestry Department.

At the end of the parade came a reminder of just what Memorial Day is all about – a horse-drawn wagon carrying an American flag-draped casket.

Parades are great fun, but this one has a greater meaning.



COMMUNITY EVENTS & CLUB CALENDAR

June/July 2019

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June 20 – Third Thursday

- Thursday Bridge, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- NAV Advisors, Town Hall, 5 p.m.
- Football Club, soccer field/baseball diamond, 5:30 p.m.

June 21 – Third Friday

- Women's Exercise Class, Town Hall, 9 a.m.
- Shanti Yoga, Town Hall, 10 a.m.
- Art League Club, Town Hall, noon
- Mah Jongg Queens, Town Hall, noon

June 22 – Fourth Saturday

- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 8 a.m.
- Football Club, soccer field #1, 8 a.m.
- LWR Digital Photography, Town Hall, 8:30 a.m.

June 24 – Fourth Monday

- Art League Club, Town Hall, noon
- Spyglass Card Sharks, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 5:30 p.m.

June 25 – Fourth Tuesday

- Bridge of Tuesday, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Football Club, soccer field/baseball diamond, 5:30 p.m.
- Italian American Club, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

June 26 – Fourth Wednesday

- Women's Duplicate Bridge, Town Hall, 8 a.m.
- Mah Jongg at One, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 5:30 p.m.

June 27 – Fourth Thursday

- Thursday Bridge, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Football Club, soccer field/baseball diamond, 5:30 p.m.
- American Asian Women, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

June 28 – Fourth Friday

- Women's Exercise Class, Town Hall, 9 a.m.
- Shanti Yoga, Town Hall, 10 a.m.
- Art League Club, Town Hall, noon
- Mah Jongg Queens, Town Hall, noon

June 29 – Fifth Saturday

- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 8 a.m.
- Football Club, soccer field #1, 8 a.m.

July 1 – First Monday

- Handcrafts and More, Town Hall, 10 a.m.

- Art League Club, Town Hall, noon
- Spyglass Card Sharks, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 5:30 p.m.

July 2 – First Tuesday

- Lunch Club, Town Hall, 11 a.m.
- Empty Nesters, Town Hall, 12:30 p.m.
- Football Club, soccer field/baseball diamond, 5:30 p.m.
- LWR 101: Resident Orientation, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

July 3 – First Wednesday

- Mah Jongg at One, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 5:30 p.m.

July 4 – First Thursday

- Football Club, soccer field/baseball diamond, 5:30 p.m.

July 5 – First Friday

- Women's Exercise Class, Town Hall, 9 a.m.
- Shanti Yoga, Town Hall, 10 a.m.
- Art League Club, Town Hall, noon
- Mah Jongg Queens, Town Hall, noon

July 6 – First Saturday

- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 8 a.m.
- Football Club, soccer field #1, 8 a.m.
- Scribes, Town Hall, 10 a.m.

July 7 – First Sunday

- Sunday Duplicate Bridge, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

July 8 – Second Monday

- Art League Club, Town Hall, noon
- Spyglass Card Sharks, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 5:30 p.m.
- CERT board meeting, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

July 9 – Second Tuesday

- Bridge on Tuesday, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Women's Club - Blankets for Babies, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Digital Photography board meeting, Town Hall, 5 p.m.
- Football Club, soccer field/baseball diamond, 5:30 p.m.
- Democratic Club, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

July 10 – Second Wednesday

- Mah Jongg at One, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 5:30 p.m.

July 11 – Second Thursday

- Thursday Bridge, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Football Club, soccer field/baseball diamond, 5:30 p.m.
- CERT family hurricane preparedness workshop setup, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

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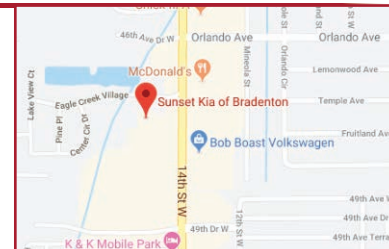


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July 12 – Second Friday

- Women's Exercise Class, Town Hall, 9 a.m.
- Shanti Yoga, Town Hall, 10 a.m.
- Art League Club, Town Hall, noon
- Mah Jongg Queens, Town Hall, noon

July 13 – Second Saturday

- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 8 a.m.
- Football Club, soccer field #1, 8 a.m.
- Republican Club, Town Hall, 9 a.m.

July 15 – Third Monday

- Handcrafts and More, Town Hall, 10 a.m.
- Art League Club, Town Hall, noon
- Spyglass Card Sharks, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 5:30 p.m.
- Running Club, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

July 16 – Third Tuesday

- Football Club, soccer field/baseball diamond, 5:30 p.m.

July 17 – Third Wednesday

- Mah Jongg at One, Town Hall, noon
- Women's Book Club, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 5:30 p.m.
- Indivisible LWR, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- CERT radio communications committee, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

July 18 – Third Thursday

- Thursday Bridge, Town Hall, 1 p.m.
- Football Club, soccer field/baseball diamond, 5:30 p.m.

July 19 – Third Friday

- Women's Exercise Class, Town Hall, 9 a.m.
- Shanti Yoga, Town Hall, 10 a.m.
- Art League Club, Town Hall, noon
- Mah Jongg Queens, Town Hall, noon

July 20 – Third Saturday

- Adult Soccer, soccer field, 8 a.m.
- Football Club, soccer field #1, 8 a.m.
- Scribes, Town Hall, 10 a.m.



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The Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM) recently honored Rex Jensen, president and CEO of Lakewood Ranch developer Schroeder-Manatee Ranch, Inc., with its 2019 LECOM Distinguished Citizen Award. The award is presented to members of the LECOM community who have supported the development of LECOM programs through service or patronage. The award was presented to Jensen by Dr. Silvia Ferretti at the commencement luncheon and awards ceremony for the Class of 2019 at The Lakewood Ranch Golf and Country Club.

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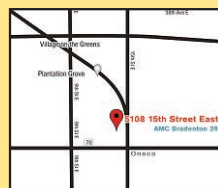
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UPCOMING EVENTS

(Please visit www.LWRBA.org to sign up for these events.)

Luncheon: Thirst for Success - Insulating Your Business, with Rogan Donnelly, president of Tervis

Wednesday, June 26

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Lakewood Ranch Golf & Country Club, 7650 Legacy Blvd.

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Young Leaders Alliance Social

Thursday, June 27

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June's YLA networking social will come with a healthy spin! PUMPS Fitness trainers, massage therapists, and health/wellness companies are coming together to educate YLA members on how to live a healthier lifestyle! To top things off, healthy snacks and mixed drinks will be provided. Register at www.LWRYLA.com

Networking Social: Lakewood Ranch YMCA
Wednesday, July 10

8-9:30 a.m.

Lakewood Ranch YMCA, 5100 Lakewood Ranch Blvd.

Free for members; \$10 non-members

Kick off your day with a special breakfast networking social at the Lakewood Ranch YMCA. Connect with fellow Alliance members and see what's happening in our neighborhood YMCA. Light breakfast and coffee will be served.

June Programs at Chabad of Bradenton & Lakewood Ranch

Please note that all events take place at The Chabad House located on 5712 Lorraine Road, Lakewood Ranch, unless otherwise noted.

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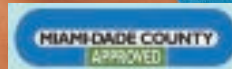
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Attorney Scott Rudacille, Anne Ross, executive director of Lakewood Ranch's community development districts, and attorneys Andy Cohen and Chris Van Hise. PHOTO BY ERNIE SOLLER

Public Records, Sunshine Laws and Ethics

BY ERNIE SOLLER,
Community Correspondent

In this era of individuals and the media constantly “looking over the shoulder” of public officials in order to discredit them or question their actions, Lakewood Ranch supervisors attended a special session earlier this year, aimed at enlightening them about their responsibilities and the possible pitfalls which might come to haunt them if they failed to recognize those pitfalls.

The supervisors got together at the Town Hall to be enlightened about public records, “Sunshine Laws,” and ethical considerations for government officials in Florida. But the information pertains to anyone who may have to interact with any branch of government.

The presenters (attorneys Andy Cohen, of Persson, Cohen and Mooney – counsel to districts 2,4,5, and 6; Scott Rudacille, of Blalock, Walters – counsel to the Inter-District Authority, and Chris Van Hise, of Shumaker, Loop and Kendrick – counsel to District 1) each took a section of the meeting.

PUBLIC RECORDS

Cohen led off with a discussion on the subject of public records, and just exactly what constitutes a public record. He noted that under Florida law, anyone has the right to inspect or copy any public record made in conjunction with official business.

He stated that with regard to the records of Lakewood Ranch's community development districts, all district records are public, with few exceptions (as in the case of a draft budget which has not been published or shared).

Emails received or made by public officials are public records. Cohen cautioned supervisors that emails sent to their personal accounts that have to do with district business should be forwarded to the Town Hall to be entered in the records. He also cautioned supervisors to avoid using their private email accounts for district business, as this action could open up their personal computer to a search for information.

Cohen was also very emphatic in telling supervisors to absolutely avoid the use of social media for official business.

He noted that citizens are not required to fill out a lengthy form to request public records (A request could be written on a napkin), although they may be charged a fee for copying costs and special service charges for excessive use of clerical and/or supervisory labor or extensive information technology. If a record exists, the governmental entity may be required to provide it, but if a record does not exist, there is no requirement for the governmental entity to create one.

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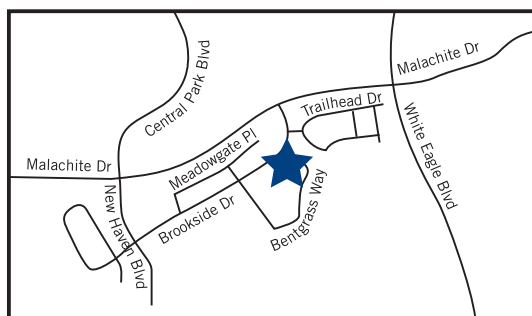


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laws is not considered a defense.

SUNSHINE LAWS

Rudacille led off his comments on the Florida Sunshine Law by stating the Florida has one of the broadest public records laws in the United States.

Meetings of public boards must be open to the public, and those meeting dates and times must be publicly posted. Meetings of board members outside of public meetings may be subject to Sunshine Laws, so supervisors need to be very careful. A gathering of two or more officials, whether formal or informal, may be in violation of Sunshine Laws if official business is discussed. If all they do is talk about sports, or gas prices, no problem; but the minute official business comes up outside of a public meeting, a violation has occurred.

The same laws apply not only to regular board meetings, but to committee meetings of those boards, although they do not apply to meetings of staff members, unless those staff members have decision-making authority.

The laws also apply to phone conversations, emails, blogs, tweets, telegraph messages, Facebook, etc. A one-sided position statement would not be a problem unless someone responds to it. Then it becomes a Sunshine Law issue.

He stated that board members should not e-mail (or tweet, or text, etc.) regarding anything that might come up at a board meeting to any other board member. As for talking to reporters, Rudacille stated that a public official giving his/her per-

sonal opinion to a reporter on a subject would not constitute a Sunshine Law violation.

The Florida Open Meetings Law requires that public board meetings be held in a public place, in order to provide the public with a reasonable opportunity to be heard prior to taking official action on any proposal. Telephone participation by board members is permitted under certain circumstances.

A seven-day advance notice must be given to the public prior to any change in meeting schedules, and meeting agendas must be posted on the district's website. Minutes must be made of the meetings, although a verbatim transcript is not required and if someone wants such a verbatim transcript, they must hire their own court reporter to obtain it.

Failure to abide by the Sunshine Laws may result in fines or removal from office for the offender, and actions taken while in violation may be declared void.

ETHICS

Van Hise noted that the Florida Commission on Ethics has a website, and that any public official who has a question as to the ethical implications of an official's actions can request an opinion from the Ethics Commission. The essential thrust of the Ethics Commission revolves around the idea that a public office should not be used for private gain.

Public officials are required to file a financial disclosure form when they take office, and every year thereafter until they leave office, and they are also required to file a disclosure form upon leaving office. Failure by a public official to file

such reports can result in a fine of \$25/day, to a maximum of \$1,500. Failure to file can also result in impeachment or civil penalties.

They are also prohibited from appointing relatives to public positions (nepotism).

Officials need to know that accepting gifts can be a real problem. Accepting any gift based on the understanding that the official's actions would be influenced by the gift is prohibited. Any gift over \$100 must be disclosed on a "Form 9" gift disclosure form – especially gifts from vendors.

While in the business world it may not be a big deal for a corporate purchasing agent, for example, to be wined and dined and treated to expensive "perks," in the area of public officialdom this can be a slippery slope, and officials need to be very careful that their actions not constitute corruption.

If an official has a relative, for example, who is bidding on a contract which may come to a vote on the part of that official, he or she must disclose the fact that this particular vendor is a relative. Officials are prohibited from voting on anything which would enhance their own private or family interests, or the interests of their employer.

There may be residents in Lakewood Ranch who are not aware that the boards of supervisors of their community development districts are considered public officials under Florida law, but the fact that they are, and are bound to observe the public records, Sunshine Law and ethics laws of the state is a benefit to our citizens – and that's a good thing.



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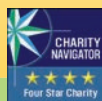
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"The support of corporate partnerships, sponsors and contributors is vital to the success and sustainability of the Taylor Emmons Scholarship Fund," Vieira said. "Every sponsorship and donation contribute toward the goal of helping a worthy student experience an independent, college preparatory education at The Out-of-Door Academy's Upper School, who do not have the means to attend this private



Event co-chairs, from left: Donna Halligan, Sandy Albano, Katie Emmons, and Jacque Hunter.

school. Although Taylor is no longer with us, his spirit lives on in the success of these scholarship students, who share his drive and passion for academics, the arts, and athletics."

TESF was created in the wake of Taylor's un-

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For more information about the Taylor Emmons Scholarship Fund, email salbano@temmons.org, call 941-915-9249 or visit www.temmons.org.

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fast, lunch or dinner, the menu at the Eastside Diner is extensive, from omelettes at breakfast (My friend recently ordered a bacon/swiss omelette, and pronouncing it very good, and I have found the Eastside Diner's Western omelette very tasty), to Belgian waffles, double blueberry pancakes, Eggs Benedict, and so on.

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June 24	10 a.m. 3 p.m. 5 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	CEVA Finance Committee 907-7279 Augusta/Oakmont Neighborhood Comm. Mtg. 907-3448 SRVA Compliance Meeting 907-0202 Hollow Board Meeting 921-5393
June 25	8:30 a.m. 3 p.m.	SRVA Modifications Meeting 907-0202 CEVA Board Meeting 907-0202
June 26	1 p.m. 3 p.m. 7 p.m.	Country Club Modifications Meeting 907-0202 Edgewater Modifications Meeting 907-0202 SRVA Board Meeting 907-0202
June 27	1:30 p.m.	Whitemarsh Neigh. Committee Meeting 412-389-0033
July 1	7 p.m.	CDD 4 Safety Workshop/GBVA Safety Cmte. 907-0202
July 3	4 p.m.	GBVA Modifications Meeting 907-0202
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July 10	1 p.m. 3 p.m.	Country Club Modifications 907-0202 Edgewater Modifications 907-0202
July 11	3 p.m.	CEVA Restrictions Revision 907-0202
July 16	8 a.m. 10 a.m. 1 p.m. 2:30 p.m.	IDA Board Meeting/Budget Public Hearing 907-0202 CDD 1 Agenda Review Workshop 907-0202 CDD 5 Agenda Review Workshop 907-0202 CDD 2 Agenda Review Workshop 907-0202
July 17	10 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 2:30 p.m. 4 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.	CDD 4 Agenda Review Workshop 907-0202 CDD 4 Board Meeting 907-0202 GBVA Restrictions Revision Meeting 907-0202 GBVA Modifications Meeting 907-0202 Mizner Reserve Neighborhood Committee Mtg 373-3898 GBVA Board Meeting 907-0202

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