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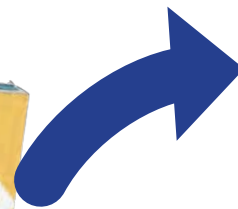
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## LWR Digital Photography Club

# Going Strong and Helping to Decorate Our New Library!

By Ernie Soller  
Community Correspondent

The Lakewood Ranch Digital Photography Club (LWRDPC) got its start way back – around 20 years ago – when our community was only a small fraction of the growth on the west coast of Florida. A couple of decades later, Lakewood Ranch's population has risen to more than 70,000 people, and the photography club has grown along with the community.

I was one of the few folks who attended meetings way back when, in a small meeting room at the Lakewood Ranch Town Hall, until schedules got in the way of my continued participation.

Recently, my next-door neighbor invited me to attend a Club meeting, and I went there a bit curious as to what changes had happened since I last visited.

The first thing that struck me was that instead of seven or eight photographers in a small room, there were somewhere closer to 50 people in a large meeting room at the East Manatee Fire complex on Lakewood Ranch Boulevard. With all the other activities going on this time of year, I figured that this was a pretty impressive turnout.

After a handful of “housekeeping” items were out of the way, the meeting got going with a demonstration/discussion by Art Napolitano on a new version of Adobe's Lightroom photo editing program for photographers. Art talked about the differences between the new program and the “classic” program which has been in use for several years.

I then learned that the Club has a number of ways of helping a photographer create great images, starting with training classes and field trips to places offering good photo opportunities. The Club offers what are called “user groups” for shooters who use a particular camera brand, such as a Nikon Group, a Canon Group, Sony, etc. This enables photographers to get better acquainted with their particular brand of equipment, so as to better develop their skills.

The Club also has guest speakers at their monthly meetings, peer-to-peer workshops, learning lab resources, and even video recordings to help sharpen members' abilities.

The LWRDPC offers its members the opportunity to share their work with others, both within the Club and with other clubs in Florida. The LWRDPC is a member of the Florida Camera Club Council, and several members helped host the Florida Camera Club Council's



big weekend of meetings, competition, and learning that took place at Manatee Technical College in March. The FCCC is made up of 52 camera clubs spread across Florida.

The LWRDPC also has a program going where it collects old cameras that are in good working order, but that folks aren't using anymore, including film cameras. These are given to schools to help them teach kids about photography.

A couple of field trips were then discussed, including shooting the sunrise at the Sunshine Skyway Bridge, and photographing the kids at the Lakewood Ranch “Eggstravaganza” at Waterside Place.

After a short break, the evening's speaker was introduced: Florida professional photographer Patricia Macfarlane, whose talk centered on environmental lighting. This lady does a lot of, among other things, animal portraits, especially of horses, but her comments applied not only to taking pictures of pets, but portraits of people without using artificial lighting.

She spoke at length about posing a subject near a window, so as to use the northern light coming through that window. Macfarlane commented on the fact that a northern light exposure (at least north of the equator) produces a shadow-free form of lighting that is very desirable. How many of us have taken pictures in harsh, open sunlight, and regretted the results?!

She also noted that it is difficult to change the scene itself, but that the photographer can usually move the subject, putting that subject in the best light possible, given the circumstances.

Macfarlane gave a few hints to Club members on pet portraits – such as NOT combing out a long-haired dog's coat; it looks better showing that the dog actually does have hairs out of place.



PHOTOS BY ERNIE SOLLER



The LWRDPC recently teamed up with the newly opened Lakewood Ranch Library, to help decorate the newest community resource. The Club contacted the library administration, via the Friends of the Lakewood Ranch Library, (which has been promoting the library and has provided extra financial support for the new facility) and arranged for the hanging of members' photographs on the walls of the library.

Club members submitted 275 photographs for consideration, out of which 50 were presented to the library, and out of those 50, 17 were selected to be hung on the walls of the Lakewood

Ranch Library.

The Club raised funds among its members to pay for the high-grade printing of the large pictures. The smallest are 30" x 40", and the largest go to 40" x 60"!

I made my way over to the library and took a few photos of some of the newly-hung pictures, and they are stunners!

The Lakewood Ranch Digital Photography Club: busy promoting photographic learning, having fun, and being a part of our community.

For information, go to: [lwrddpc.com](http://lwrddpc.com), and get in on the photographic fun!

# Making Sure Your Home is Safe

By Ernie Soller  
Community Correspondent

Lakewood Ranch's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is generally well-known in our community for its work in helping people get ready for disasters such as hurricanes and tropical storms. They put on several programs each year involving first aid and preparedness so that residents can have the information and tools they need to protect themselves against these weather emergencies. They also can swing into action in the case of a "big wind" event or a non-weather-related disaster, such as a terrorist attack or the possible crashing of the power grid.

At a recent meeting, CERT presented Manatee County Deputy Tom Kaczmarek, speaking on "How Secure Is Secure? A Homeowner's Guide to Preventing Property Crimes."

Jim Emanuelson, president of the Lakewood Ranch group, noted that the task of CERT is to educate residents about how to deal with disasters, respond to those disasters, and to provide safety support to the community. It is managed by FEMA, and sponsored by Manatee County Emergency Management.

He noted that during a major event, like a hurricane, Manatee County's 911 system may well be totally overloaded and essentially non-functioning. First responders may not be able to get out to where help is needed, and that's where CERT makes all the difference. Cell phones may not work, but CERT members have communication radios. Bottom line: Hurricanes are survivable if you prepare. So, start getting ready now before you're in a crisis mode.

Detective Kaczmarek began his talk by commenting that technology has changed the face of home security. He referenced the old medieval castle system, which relied on moats, guard towers, watchmen, lots of torches, and big locks to deter criminals, and then spoke of crime prevention through environmental design.

Kaczmarek commented on the "new" architectural practice of placing apartments/condos, etc. above retail stores. This provides for a system of built-in watchmen, since if an upstairs resident sees the store on a lower level being broken into, he or she can immediately call law enforcement to the scene, greatly increasing the possibility of the crooks getting caught.

As for torches, Deputy Kaczmarek showed a couple of photos of the same home. One had "old-style" mercury vapor lighting, and the other had modern LED bulbs in the same fixtures. What a difference! The LED lights provided for a much brighter area, lighting up spaces which had been dark with the old lights. Good lighting deters crooks. Motion detectors are another good idea, as are doorbells that take videos of people coming to your door. They can be programmed to alert neighbors of suspicious activity. Putting in several security cameras around your home is another really good idea. The prices are no longer high for this type of protection. Surveillance matters!

The deputy noted that one lawbreaker had a technique of waiting in the bushes near a garage door that he saw was going up, and then scooting inside the garage while the owner was backing his car out of the garage. The thief then cleaned out the garage of anything valuable and took off. There was no forced entry since the thief just walked right in the opened door.

He then took up the subject of landscaping. Big bushes can obscure the view of the front of your home from the street, and can provide places for thieves to hide, while at the same time making it harder for you to see them while they figure out how to get into your home. He suggested that low bushes are a much better way of landscaping your lot – at a maximum height of two feet. In addition, keep the branches of trees at least eight feet above the ground level. Again, this makes it harder for crooks to hide. He suggested that homeowners plant foliage with



PHOTOS BY ERNIE SOLLER

spikes or thorns near or beneath windows. The spikes make it harder for a crook to hide between them while trying to peer into your windows.

Kaczmarek suggested replacing the screws on entry door striker plates with those that are 2.5 to 3" long, making it very difficult for someone to attempt to kick in your door. If you have a sliding door, he suggested getting a J-style hook with a 3/4 inch shackle, and get locks for your windows. Replacing old windows with impact-rated ones make it hard for a thief to break a window to enter your home. He also noted that most people are right-handed, and this lends itself to folks putting valuables in the right-hand drawer of, say, their dresser. Thieves know this and act accordingly. Placing valuables in various spots in your home, rather than just one place, may make for less loss if your home is broken into.

This is important – take photographs of your jewelry and other valuable items and equipment. Write down the serial numbers of this equipment. Think: power tools, stereo equipment, computer components, printers, cameras and lenses, expensive electronics like big-screen TVs, etc. If you have both pictures and the serial numbers and can give them to law enforcement, they can notify places like pawn shops where thieves try to unload the loot, and the pawn shop owners have an interest in cooperating with the cops.

If you have a home safe, make sure that it is bolted down in a concealed area to prevent it from being taken. Also, just like you replace your smoke detector batteries every few months, replace your electronic safe lock batteries at the same time, otherwise you may have a malfunctioning safe.

What are the most common crimes in Lakewood Ranch? Number one, thefts from unlocked cars. Lock your car and take the keys. Number two, stolen vehicles – here again, lock your car and take the keys with you! Number three, residential thefts.

Here's another thing the deputy mentioned – start using electronic means of paying your bills, rather than writing checks. Checks are obsolete.

Regarding fraud, Deputy Kaczmarek noted that reputable, large-scale cable companies don't go door-to-door to solicit business. If someone is doing this, they are probably operating on a fraudulent basis. Also, if such a solicitor gets aggressive, call 911.

Another note: The government doesn't call people on the phone. If you get a phone call from someone saying that he or she is from the IRS or Social Security, this is a red light for fraud. Get their name and phone number if you can, and report this to law enforcement. Do not give the caller any of your personal information!

Stay safe and crime-free.

## Dream Finders Homes Building Bungalow Walk at Waterside

Dream Finders Homes, Inc. (DFH), the Jacksonville-based national homebuilder ranked as one of the fastest-growing U.S. companies, is developing Bungalow Walk at Waterside, in Lakewood Ranch.

Dream Finders Homes was selected by Lakewood Ranch as one of 19 preferred builders contributing to its 33,000+ acre community with its Bungalow Walk at Waterside community. Bungalow Walk will offer 225 homesites with six unique floor plans, some with attached and some with detached garages. Additionally, each home will be designed to feature curated front porches.

The homes will range in size from about 1,696 to 2,557 square feet of living area and include six models of Dream Finders Homes representing a suite of designs named the Haven, Laurel, Pearl, Pemberly, Taylor and Willow, equipped with three and four bedrooms and up to three bathrooms. Pricing ranges from the high \$500s to the \$700s.

Bungalow Walk at Waterside will feature the DFH design elements in bungalow-style homes that emphasize modern aesthetics, functional layouts and craftsmanship that cater to the needs and preferences of the current diverse population of homebuyers.

Lakewood Ranch has secured a dominant position in the Tampa region due to its unique strategy of offering multi-generational communities that appeal to a wide range of buyers. The centerpiece of the Waterside community, Waterside Place, provides an elevated community experience that overlooks the mile-long Kingfisher Lake, and includes a blend of entertainment with unique commercial, retail and office space, diverse dining venues, an eight-acre park with miles of nature trails, and "pop-up" event spaces, amongst additional lifestyle enhancing community attractions.

"We are thrilled to announce our latest new community in Lakewood Ranch, which has secured its sixth consecutive year as the best-selling master-planned community in the nation for all ages," said Joe Sabella, Tampa division president for Dream Finders Homes. "The opportunity to introduce Dream Finders' quality standards and innovative home models as Bungalow Walk at Waterside represents an exciting start to DFH's expansion into the Tampa market. We look forward to providing the Lakewood Ranch community with the Dream Finders value, efficiency and modern style homes that are designed to align with the ongoing developments of the master-planned, multi-generational community."

For more information on Dream Finders Homes visit [www.dreamfindershomes.com](http://www.dreamfindershomes.com) or call 888-214-1164.

## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

## Local Business Owner Is Thankful for the Exceptional Care He Received at ER at Fruitville

**Robert Smithson**  
ER at Fruitville patient



It was a Sunday when 63-year-old Robert Smithson, of Sarasota, first experienced a “twinge of pain or discomfort” in his stomach. On Monday, Smithson still had pain and considered going to the emergency room, but he decided to wait. By Tuesday morning, the pain was more intense. Suspecting something might be seriously wrong, he headed with his wife to the ER.

### WELCOMING AND EFFICIENT PROCESS

The first thing about the ER at Fruitville, an extension of Lakewood Ranch Medical Center, that stood out for Smithson (besides abundant parking) was that he was immediately attended to. He also noted how clean the facility was and how professional the staff looked.

“I was welcomed as soon as I entered the ER,” he said. “When I described my symptoms, I was immediately put into an exam room. They took my vitals and told me that the doctor would be coming to see me momentarily.”

Smithson underwent a CT scan with contrast to help deter-

mine what was causing his pain. Everything that would be happening during the exam was clearly explained to him.

“They hooked me up to an IV,” he said, “and then away I went.” After the test, Smithson received a diagnosis of diverticulitis.

“My wife and I had a sigh of relief,” recalled Smithson.

His medications were explained, and he was advised to follow up with his primary care doctor and a GI physician.

“After about two hours, we said our goodbyes to the wonderful team at the ER at Fruitville,” he said.

What Smithson appreciated most, he said, was the excellent communication and timely care. From the person who welcomed him, to the nurse, CT tech, physician and billing person, people throughout his stay made him feel truly comfortable.

“I think it’s important for people to know they can get into ER at Fruitville quickly and safely, and they have competent staff,” added Smithson.

### ENJOYING LIFE ONCE AGAIN

Today, Smithson says he feels great, and everything is back to normal. Originally from England, Smithson moved to Florida in 1989 and started Trinity Graphics. He now has three businesses in the Sarasota area. When away from the office, Smithson enjoys playing golf, fishing and enjoying good food and wine.

Smithson lives with his wife on what he describes as “a

wonderful compound in Sarasota, surrounded by spectacular cypress trees.”

To watch Robert Smithson’s patient testimonial video and learn more about services at ER at Fruitville, visit: <http://lwrmc.com/er>.

The 10,873-sq. ft. ER at Fruitville is located at 6760 Fruitville Road, Sarasota, 34240. The phone number is (941)378-7500. Features of the ER include care for all ages; stabilizing treatment for major conditions such as heart attack and stroke, treatment for minor conditions, a full-service laboratory and radiology services including X-ray and CT; open 24 hours a day, seven days a week; staffed by a board-certified or board-eligible physician, receives ambulances, and most insurances are accepted.

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# LAKEWOOD RANCH COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Building a true sense of community, through memorable events and social clubs.



By Danielle Bugel

The Tribute to Heroes Parade & Block Party was a resounding success, drawing in thousands of enthusiastic community members to celebrate our local heroes! The event kicked off with a block party, followed by a colorful parade featuring veterans and active-duty members as well as floats, marching bands, and community groups. The block party with live music, food vendors, and activities for kids continued after the parade. As we looked around at the sea of smiling faces, waving flags, and vibrant colors, it was impossible not to feel a sense of warmth and gratitude in our hearts. It was a truly special evening, filled with joy, camaraderie, and a deep appreciation for those who have served our country.

We're grateful to our presenting sponsors of the evening, Veteran Air and Tommy's Express Car Wash, for their support, as well as our supporting sponsors: Veterans Affairs Law P.A., Bob Boast Volkswagen, Triple G's Golf Cart Rentals, and USA Fence. Their contributions helped make the event possible and allowed us to honor our local heroes in a meaningful way.

Now, the team at Lakewood Ranch Community Activities is looking forward to the next chapter in our community's story - the summer of 2024. With the warm weather and sunshine on the horizon, we're excited to kick off the season with a bang!

Bringing back the classics while mixing in new activities is what Lakewood Ranch Community Activities is all about! In addition to resident favorites, such as cornhole, tennis, and yoga, we have introduced new programs to our Parks & Recreation calendar this season, including summer camp for kids, intro to dance classes, basketball, and so much more.

Our summer lineup is packed with something for everyone, from family-friendly events to adult-only activities and programs just for kids. Whether you're looking for a relaxing afternoon making new friends or more of an adventure, we've got you covered.

To stay in the loop of our Park Programs, follow us on Facebook and Instagram @LWRCommunityActivities. Don't forget to sign up for our biweekly e-newsletter by visiting our website at LWRCA.org. We'll be sharing updates on all our summer activities, local events, community partner events, and more so you're sure to have a great summer!

Are you new to Lakewood Ranch looking to get more information about our amazing community? Join us on Tuesday, June 25 at 10 a.m. at Summerfield Community Park under the pavilion for our Newcomer's Meetup! This event is the perfect



opportunity to learn about the vibrant Lakewood Ranch community and discover all the exciting things it has to offer. You'll have the chance to meet new friends and learn about the many parks and recreational activities available, as well as the signature events that bring the community together. Whether you're looking to make new friends, get involved in local activities, or simply learn more about life on The Ranch, this event is a must-attend. Secure your spot at LWRCA.org and come join us on June 25!

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## LWR Tribute to Heroes Parade: The Tradition Continues

By Ernie Soller  
Community Correspondent

On May 26, crowds began to gather at Lakewood Ranch Main Street for the annual Tribute to Heroes Parade. Booths were set up all around the Main Street area, and especially on the Rodeo Drive portion near the movie theater. Vendors sold beer and other drinks, and various businesses and organizations gave out loads of goodies. People brought their lawn chairs, their kids, and their dogs.

Several areas had been set up in the breezeway for kids' activities, from face painting to games, to a petting zoo area, which featured chickens and rabbits. The street itself had been equipped with barricades to prevent people from getting in the way of parade vehicles, and there were lots of parade vehicles. Traffic control was provided by members of Lakewood Ranch Community Emergency Response Team.

There were food trucks, and the Main Street restaurants were quite busy, especially since getting an outside table at a restaurant also gave parade-goers a ringside seat for the parade. A band played for the entertainment of the crowd, and a mime dressed in military-style camo did his thing.

People staked out their spots carefully, especially those who got there early enough to claim a place on the west side of the street, making sure that they were in the shade.

As the parade has been a means of honoring our country's veterans, the event kicked off with a color guard from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, followed by some golf carts filled with veterans,

followed by the grand marshal, and a fire truck from East Manatee Fire/Rescue. Next came lots of noise, as Main Street was serenaded by both men and women veterans on their motorcycles.

The Manatee County Sheriff's Mounted Patrol deputies rode down Main Street on horseback, followed by a large trailer full of people from the Southwest Florida Honor Flight. The Knights of Columbus paraded in their red shirts.

Meals on Wheels Plus of Manatee paraded with a banner, and a van that asked folks to host a food drive. Various old, restored military Jeeps were in the parade, as well as a red, white, and blue SUV from the Santa Claus Drill Team of the West Central Florida Honor Flight. These Santa guys were hard to miss, wearing red, white, and blue camo pants, blue vests, red berets, and carrying big candy canes. Did I mention that all of them had big, bushy white beards?

Then came members of the Lakewood Ranch High Marching Band, along with cheerleaders, followed by Shriners from the Sarasota Sahib Temple. After the Shriners came Jeeps ... lots of Jeeps.

Perhaps the luckiest vets riding in the parade were those from The Windsor of Lakewood Ranch, who rode in an air-conditioned bus!

The Dynasty Dance folks marched, as did members of the Lakewood Ranch Business Alliance. Of course there was an appearance by Hernando DeSoto, who came with his crew and their Spanish galleon. There were a lot of beads thrown to the crowd by Hernando's crew of plume-helmeted conquistadors. Another great event! Will we be able to top it next year?





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## Longtime District 1 Supervisor Bob Dapper Resigns

By Ernie Soller  
Community Correspondent

**B**ob Dapper, who has served Lakewood Ranch's Community Development District 1 for years, has resigned his seat on the board for health reasons.

The acceptance of his resignation presents the District 1 board with a decision as to whether to appoint a new board member now, or to leave the seat vacant until after the November election. Complicating the situation is the fact that Dapper's term on the board expires on election day in November.

### LAKE BANK REPAIRS

The District 1 board passed a motion to contract for the reconstruction of the bank of Summerfield Lake. Upon inspecting the bank after Hurricane Ian, major erosion was found. The cost for this work will be \$233,950 and will be undertaken by Crosscreek Environmental.

The initial engineering study that recommended this work was done by Kimley-Horn.

The District 2 board approved reconstruction of the bank of Lake Uihlein, which was also damaged severely during Hurricane Ian. The work will be done by Crosscreek at a cost of \$322,820.

Some residents commented as to the wisdom of contracting for this work before any funds had been received from FEMA, but Executive Director Steve Zielinski noted that if this work is not done now, further damage may be done, and the resulting cost could be significantly higher. The District owns the lake bank.

Resident Les Prysock inquired as to when the repairs on the Legacy Gate would be completed. Operations Director Tom Merrell will look into this.

### TRAFFIC SIGNAL

The traffic signal which has been installed at Lakewood Ranch Boulevard and Clubhouse Drive is now expected to be in operation by sometime in August of this year.

### FEMA REIMBURSEMENT

So far, there has been no reimbursement received by Lakewood Ranch from FEMA for the cleanup expenses incurred as a result of Hurricane Ian in 2022.

FEMA paid for these expenses after Hurricane Irma in 2017 but appears to be balking at paying for similar expenses resulting from Ian.

### FISHING/POND USE POLICY UPDATE

Attorney Andrew Cohen is working on a new policy for fishing in Lakewood Ranch's ponds and other activities related to use of ponds. The policy will be available for public comment at the June CDD board meetings, after which it can be voted on by district boards.

Supervisor Martin Fugardi of District 6 expressed his frustration with people from other areas fishing in the pond behind his home, which is part of his private property.

### NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR CDD BOARDS AND CDD SUPERVISORS

As of Oct. 1, 2024, CDD boards in Florida are required to establish goals and objectives and issue an annual report on whether these were met.

In addition, there is a yearly requirement for supervisors to take two, two-hour classes – one on ethics, and the other on public records and Florida's Sunshine Law.

The attorneys for the IDA and Lakewood Ranch's CDDs will conduct these sessions for the supervisors. The first, on ethics, will take place at 10:30 a.m. July 11 at the Town Hall. The latter will be held at 9 a.m. Aug. 7.

### SHRED DAY

The annual Lakewood Ranch Shred Day was held April 27. Over 2.5 tons of records were shredded, and almost 1,000 pounds of food were collected, along with several hundred dollars in donations to the Food Bank of Manatee.

### GREENBROOK ADVENTURE PARK PAVILION

Several residents came to the District 4 board meeting with questions about the pavilion, including whether the board was planning on going after those responsible for the fire in order to get compensation. (Note that the authorities have determined that the fire was accidental.)

The board, along with Executive Director Zielinski noted that its focus to this point has been to get moving on replacing the pavilion so that residents would again be able to use the facility.

### PAVING REPLACEMENT POLICY

As Lakewood Ranch's infrastructure ages, it becomes increasingly necessary for the Operations department to occasionally dig up piping, irrigation valves, water lines, etc., within the

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district easements. Often there is a need to access these items by digging up portions of paver driveways. The various boards have agreed to a paver policy that requires that if new pavers need to be procured to re-pave such driveways, the workers make every effort to attempt to match the replacement pavers to the existing ones. If a good match cannot be achieved, then matching with a close color will be done. In some cases, taking existing pavers from seldom-used or more obscure areas of the driveway may be done, and the newer pavers used to replace those blocks.

### RAINFALL/IRRIGATION

Operations Director Tom Merrell reported that Lakewood Ranch districts received between 1/2 and 1" of rain in April, compared to the average April rainfall of 2.2".

This impacts irrigation water usage, and several discussions during various district board meetings dealt with the idea of shutting off irrigation to prevent residents from over-watering during the rainy season.

In District 6, comments were made about

the problem of over-watering between close-built homes. In some cases, irrigation timers have been re-set to shorter periods because "normal" watering periods create overwatering if neighbors' homes both water on a "normal" schedule, the result being a doubling of watering due to the proximity of the structures.

### GOLF CART PASSAGE

During the District 5 board meeting, supervisors discussed the issue of people driving their golf carts from east of Lorraine Road to the Lakewood Ranch Country Club, once the expected traffic signal is put in place at Players Drive and Lorraine Road. One concern is the possibility that deputies would be issuing citations to those who drive their golf carts across Lorraine Road.

### REGISTERED VOTERS

The numbers of registered voters in the Lakewood Ranch Community Development Districts are: District 1 ... 3,231; District 2 ... 2,550; District 4 ... 3,085; District 5 ... 1,723; and District 6 ... 737. The numbers are down slightly from the previous year, possibly due to new residents not having registered yet.

## June Programs at Chabad of Bradenton & Lakewood Ranch

Please note that all events will take place at the Chabad House at 5712 Lorraine Road, or at the virtual Chabad House at [chabadofbradenton.com/zoom](http://chabadofbradenton.com/zoom), unless otherwise noted.

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# The Black Dog at Waterside Place: You Might Not Be Able To Resist Some of Their Unique Offerings!



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By Ernie Soller  
Community Correspondent

Going back in history, having a black cat cross your path has long been thought of as a harbinger of bad luck. However, no such bad-luck hex exists with regard to black dogs. If you have doubts, look around you, around your neighborhood, and you'll see lots of black dogs – especially black Labrador retrievers. They are one of the most popular dogs in the USA!

In fact, there's a big black dog at Waterside Place in Lakewood Ranch – The Black Dog store, that is.

The story of the beginnings of The Black Dog goes back to the 1950s. Capt. Robert Douglas ended his Air Force career by ejecting from a malfunctioning jet fighter. That episode may have concluded his military career, but it set him on a course to success and fun as a sailor and owner of a restaurant/store on Martha's Vineyard.

He first sailed his boat, the Shenandoah, to the Vineyard in 1964, and several years later, again sailed back with his constant companion, a black dog. On one visit, he realized that Martha's Vineyard really needed a nice place where folks could go for a serving of good chowder – a place where they could sit, relax, and just



chill out.

Soon, in 1971, Capt. Douglas' "The Black Dog Tavern" opened on the island, and quickly became a major success. The chowder was great, and both islanders and visitors alike came to The Black Dog, be it for the chowder or the souvenirs.

The Black Dog Store was born, and it has evolved into a chain of 27 stores, which carry an assortment of goods with the Black Dog logo.

As store manager Alison Dengler – a Lakewood Ranch Central Park resident – told us, the clothing sold at The Black Dog is made of high-quality cotton. She pointed out that their T-shirts won't pill after several washings, so it will last more than a couple of wearings.

They carry lots of items, from T-shirts to hoodies to insulated cups, even special wine glasses. Much of the clothing at The Black Dog is quite colorful, and walking into the store almost feels like you're stepping into a color palette.

Some of their clothing is location-specific, so your friends from up north can go home with a Black Dog item that includes a Lakewood Ranch designation, thereby spreading the word about Lakewood Ranch.

Now here's something which may be news to some folks, but can be classified as an obvious event, especially if you're someone with grandchildren. My lovely wife spent some time perusing the merchandise at The Black Dog, and made the decision to buy some new T-shirts for her grandchildren, who will soon be coming to Florida. After she got the sizes sorted out, she bought Black Dog-Lakewood Ranch T-shirts for both grandkids.



And, not to let her daughter miss out on a gift, she also bought a "carrier" bag for their mom, which has pockets for four bottles of soda or water, plus snack items – in other words, the perfect thing to take to kids' activities.

The Black Dog not only carries some very attractive clothing items, but some other rather unique things, such as red, white, and blue cycling jerseys (with, of course, the Black Dog logo).

Among other useful and different items at The Black Dog are floating waterproof electronics containers, into which you can put your cell phone or tablet, depending on the size of the container. These pieces of equipment allow you to take your electronics to the beach – or while you're out strolling in one of our summer rain storms – and promise to keep them dry and, for that matter, sand resistant, too!

As the name of the place is The Black Dog, it is only fitting that dogs are welcome. The store has a water bowl outside the door, and will happily provide your furry companion with a dog biscuit. And, if your pup needs a new leash, collar, or other doggy item, The Black Dog has loads of colorful canine goodies. Or you could opt to purchase a friendly-looking stuffed Black Dog toy.

So, check out The Black Dog. Get colorful, and tell your friends about it.

The Black Dog General Store is located in the Waterside Place town center, at 1551 Lakefront Drive, Suite 102. Hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday-Tuesday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. For more information call (941)208-3679 or visit theblackdog.com.

## THE (PET) DOCTOR IS IN!

By Erin Siems, DVM

Summer is officially here. School's out and heat is in! Most of our snowbirds have left and many of us are eyeing a vacation somewhere outside of Florida. As travel becomes more universal, so does traveling with our furry friends. The thought of traveling with a pet can be daunting, but with some early planning it can be successful.

Any time you are traveling with pets, it is important to have access to their medical records whether electronically or in paper version, even for a short trip. You never know when an emergency will arise, necessitating them to go to a vet. Have extra medication handy in case of delays. Always make sure they have proper identification and restraint with leashes or crates available. Try to plan for potty breaks and time to stretch their (and your) legs, regardless of means of travel.

Be aware of the rules of travel. While travel-



ing by car can be pretty simple, public transit can be a little more difficult. Some airlines require health certificates as well as proof of rabies vaccination. Check with your individual airline and adhere to their specific pet travel restrictions or you may risk delays or cancellations. New CDC rules going into effect next month will significantly impact international travel (including Mexico and Canada). If you plan to take your furry buddy beyond U.S. borders by any means of transport, get familiar with the new rules now, so you aren't caught off guard last minute. **PLAN, TRAVEL, HAVE FUN AND RETURN SAFE!**

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## Lakewood Ranch Medical Center Recognized Among America's Best Maternity Hospitals 2024

For the third consecutive year, Lakewood Ranch Medical Center has earned a place on Newsweek's list of America's Best Maternity Hospitals. The 2024 award list was published in May, and can be viewed on [Newsweek.com](http://Newsweek.com).

Lakewood Ranch Medical Center is proud of the high-quality maternity care offered every day in the Women's Center, a press release said. The recognition highlights the superior services offered at LWRMC to women through all stages of maternity care. Given that obstetrical services are a major component of healthcare, Newsweek and Statista, the world-leading statistics portal and industry ranking provider, have partnered for the third time to identify America's Best Maternity Hospitals in 2024.

The ranking is based on three pillars:

**1. Nationwide online survey:** Healthcare professionals and hospital manag-

ers with knowledge about maternity processes e.g., neonatal and perinatal doctors, nurses, and midwives were asked to recommend leading maternity hospitals in the U.S.

**2. Patient experience survey:** Survey of the overall patient experience in the hospital.

**3. Hospital quality metrics:** Indicators relevant to maternity care were considered.

"It's a top priority at Lakewood Ranch Medical Center to provide high-quality healthcare for moms and their babies," said Andy Guz, chief executive officer at Lakewood Ranch Medical Center. "I'm grateful for our team of doctors and nurses in the Women's Center. Receiving this award demonstrates the dedication of our Women's Center team who provide outstanding support to our patients during this important time in their lives."



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# Tsunami Washes Ashore in Lakewood Ranch

## Long-Awaited Restaurant Drawing Crowds

By Ernie Soller  
Community Correspondent

**T**sunami, located in The Green town center on State Road 70, presents itself as a Japanese-inspired place for lovers of sushi, sashimi, and other Japanese/Asian favorites.

For some of us, a Japanese restaurant in that location may come as a bit of a surprise. A few years ago, there were big signs in the windows indicating that an Irish pub would be opening “soon.” Well, “soon” turned into a couple of years, and then the Irish pub signs disappeared and new signs went up proclaiming a soon-to-be-opened Japanese sushi and hibachi grill restaurant.

The result is the new Tsunami.

My wife and I decided that we just had to experience Tsunami, so she called and made a reservation for an early dinner, as we wanted to make sure that we were not among those standing around waiting for a table. Our timing was perfect. When we arrived at the prescribed time, we walked in and were directed to the hostess’ desk just inside the main entrance.

The desk is decorated with blue tile above a gold colored base, and is situated in front of a large wooden torii, the classic Japanese gate often seen at shrines, and which serves as an indication that one is passing from the outside into a sacred space.

The décor at Tsunami is Japanese-oriented, but with a sense of design as well as a sense of humor.

There is a glassed-in work space at one end of the restaurant, where the sushi experts practice their craft. You can watch them work as they take various portions of fish, veggies and sauces and concoct their creations. Above this area is a large painting, showing the ocean waves and a snow-capped mountain, with the Tsunami logo emblazoned in one corner. There is a mixture of styles in other areas, notably in lighting. The hostess desk is illuminated by a pair of Tiffany-type lamps. There is a large track-lighting fixture in one dining area, decorated with cherry blossoms, while in other areas the lighting almost looks like Japanese lanterns, but with a twist.

Above the area where we dined, there were globe-shaped lights, which on closer inspection turned out to be dangling from the hands of monkey sculptures which were hanging from bamboo supports.

On the wall behind the bar area, the black wallpaper continued the cherry blossom motif, with the addition of flying Japanese cranes.

Along the windows, which take up half the wall space of Tsunami, there were wooden latticework panels hanging in the windows, interspersed with heavy draperies. There is a small statue of a goddess at the entrance to the bar area.

But let’s get to the subject of the food! The menu at Tsunami is quite varied. Yes, it hits heavily on sushi, sashimi, and various Asian dishes, but it goes further, even to the inclusion of a large number of vegan meals, including vegan sushi.

And not only is the food portion of the menu varied, so is the libation portion, presenting specialty cocktails such as the “Ginza Gimlet” – made with Leopold Brothers gin, elderflower liqueur, lime juice, and lavender bitters. This, along with multi-

ple wine choices, and beers – not only those from Japan, such as Sapporo, Kirin, and Hitachino, but from Florida breweries as well.

If you’re into sake, Tsunami appears to be the place to visit. They serve multiple varieties, including some which, according to their website, are only available in these parts at Tsunami.

I knew that I had to try some sushi, and I asked our waitress, Mayle, for her suggestion on this. She obviously had fielded questions from other diners, and appeared to be well-versed in the differences among the various offerings, as she made a point of asking about my tolerance for spicy. I chose one called “One Night Stand,” made of spicy tuna, spicy yellowtail, cucumber, escolar, salmon, jalapeno, and chili oil. This turned out to be a stellar choice. It was great!

I also ordered miso soup, which was very good as well, and a seafood stir fry – scallops and shrimp with lots of veggies and noodles ... nice, fat noodles. Very tasty.

My wife ordered an appetizer of “Bang Bang Calamari.” She raved about this item, and also ordered an entrée of Pineapple Chicken Fried Rice, which was delivered to our table ... in a hollowed-out half of a large pineapple! That came with its own “wow factor.”

If there was any disappointment, food-wise, it was the dessert. We decided to split a “Chocolate Cake Tower,” which came as a small “lava cake” with a scoop of vanilla ice cream. Not

exactly a tower.

In any case, I plan on going back to Tsunami, especially if my older son is in town, as he considers himself a connoisseur of sushi. I’m sure that he will agree that Tsunami does a great job.

If you have a hankering for sushi, or simply a different dining experience, or maybe you’re entertaining out-of-town guests and want to give them an experience unlike what they may have “back home,” don’t be afraid to try Tsunami.

Altogether, good food, good service, and an inviting, different atmosphere. Tsunami ... try it; you’ll like it!

The Tsunami Sushi and Hibachi Grill restaurant is located in the center of The Green shopping center, at the intersection of Lakewood Ranch Boulevard and State Road 70. Hours are 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. Monday thru Thursday; 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 to 10:30 p.m. Friday; noon to 2:30 p.m. and 4:30 to 10:30 p.m. Saturday, and 4:30 to 9 p.m. Sunday. For more information visit [tsunami-sarasota.com](http://tsunami-sarasota.com) or call (941)909-8288.



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# Help Keep Lakewood Ranch Farmers' Market No. 1 in Florida!

Last year, the Farmers' Market at Lakewood Ranch was named No. 1 in Florida as part of the 16th Annual America's Farmers Market Celebration (AFMC), sponsored by the American Farmland Trust and the Farmers Market Coalition. This year, voting runs from June 1 to July 31, during which the public is invited to vote on their favorite markets. "We are deeply honored to have been voted the #1 farmers' market in Florida last year," said Nicole Hackel, events and resident experience manager for Lakewood Ranch Communities. "This recognition is a testament to the dedication and passion of our vendors, the hard work of our Market team, and the unwavering support of our visitors. As we look ahead, we are eager to retain our top position in Florida and are excited about the opportunity to become the #1 farmers' market in the nation this year."

The AFMC is the only annual ranking of the top farmers markets in the U.S. as voted on by the public.

The Farmers' Market at Lakewood Ranch, which is about to enter its seventh season, is home to more than 100 curated vendors of the region's best food and flavors, and is located at Waterside Place – Lakewood Ranch's newest town center. Open on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. year-round, The Market is a favorite weekly tradition for people from all over the region seeking farm-fresh produce, prepared foods, specialty items and gifts.



Other activities on Market Sundays include yoga at 9 a.m. at the adjacent Waterside Park, weekly live music, Kids' Corner crafts and games, and a Community Supported Agriculture program each fall and winter in partnership with Honeside Farms.

The Market also works with Community Harvest SRQ as part of the Suncoast Gleaning Project. Among other efforts, volunteers pick up leftover vegetables from the farmers weekly and take them to food banks to make meals for those in need, thereby helping diminish food waste while providing nutritious produce to diverse populations.

"The Farmers' Market has become the heart of our community, serving as a cherished weekly gathering space," Hackel said. "It's where we come together to connect with friends and neighbors, bring our families and furry friends, and enjoy live music set against the stunning backdrop of Kingfisher Lake. This vibrant atmosphere embodies the spirit of Lakewood Ranch, fostering connections and celebrating local talent and vendors. We are extremely grateful for the continued support and enthusiasm that makes our market a special place for everyone."

For more information about The Market, contact Nicole Hackel at 941-757-1520 or visit [lakewoodranch.com/life-on-the-ranch/themarket/](http://lakewoodranch.com/life-on-the-ranch/themarket/).

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# Manatee County Commissioners Hold Session at LWR High School

By Ernie Soller  
Community Correspondent

The Manatee County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) held a public meeting at Lakewood Ranch High School on a Saturday in May, titled "All Things Lakewood Ranch."

It has been suggested at several Lakewood Ranch Community Development District board meetings of late that Lakewood Ranch contributes around 30 percent of the county's tax revenue, and many residents are not happy about what they perceive as a lack of attention paid to their concerns.

So the Commissioners staged an event that was less of a discussion and more of an attempt to lay out what the County's plans were, going forward, in various areas. The report presentation was headed by Deputy County Administrator Even Pilachowski.

## DEVELOPMENT

Nicole Knapp, director of Development Services, went through the process required to get county authorization for development.

She noted that Manatee County receives over 4,000 requests per year for development authorization, many being for small parcels of land for individual residents, and a few coming from major developers looking to build hundreds of homes on large parcels of land. The process takes time, and of those 4,000 applications, only around 3% actually end up getting approval from the BOCC, as the applications must go through multiple steps prior to approval. The process itself can take four to six months and if Board approval is granted, the time taken is more like six to nine months.

The Deputy Director of Public Safety then gave a presentation on EMS services, including the County's new Drone Delivery System. He noted that Manatee County EMS gets around 59,000 calls for service, with 41.7% of those calls requiring cardio-pulmonary resuscitation. Of those numbers, Lakewood Ranch counts for around 4,200 calls, with over 50% requiring cardio-pulmonary service.

## DRONE DELIVERY

Manatee County now has the only 911 drone delivery program in the U.S., in cooperation with Tampa General Hospital. Depending on the answers given by the person who calls 911, the operator can dispatch a heavy-duty drone to the scene of a 911 event almost immediately. The drone carries a defibrillator for cardiac arrest, a Narcan nasal spray for overdose cases, and a tourniquet for cases of heavy bleeding.



PHOTO BY ERNIE SOLLER

This enables people on the scene to give aid to the victim before EMS can get to the scene.

The drone is housed at the Manatee County EMS station on Malachite Drive in Lakewood Ranch, and is operational five days/week, Monday through Friday. Commissioner Amanda Ballard noted that the drone system will not slow down EMS response time.

## WATER/WASTE

Utilities Director Patrick Shea noted that the County has a wastewater processing capacity of 33.5 million gallons/day, and it is expected that by 2031, that capacity will increase to 44.5 million gallons/day.

There is a project underway to try to recover and sell the natural gas created at the Lena Road landfill.

## TRANSPORTATION/ROADS

It is probably not news that people in Lakewood Ranch have expressed concern over the condition of the county-maintained roads. The County has repaved a portion of Lakewood Ranch Boulevard and at the Commission meeting, it was revealed that they plan to finish repaving Lakewood Ranch by the end of June.

One of the main projects that the County has going is completing the extension of 44th Avenue from west of I-75 to Lakewood Ranch Boulevard. This project is expected to be complete in 2025. A bridge to carry 44th Avenue over I-75 is currently under construction. Completion of the extension of Lena Road from SR 64 to SR 70 will be done after the 44th Avenue project.

Manatee County is going to make Upper Manatee River Road four lanes from SR 64 to the Manatee River, and apparently will add another bridge at Fort Hamer Road.

Lorraine Road is scheduled to be widened to four lanes from SR 70 to SR 64.

Various intersections will get new traffic signals and/or roundabouts, to better control traffic flow.

## NATURAL RESOURCES

Charlie Hunsicker, director of Natural Resources, reported that the County's population is growing by 10,000 to 12,000 people/year.

This puts a larger strain on water quality, and the County is installing new facilities to remove more nitrogen from the water.

The County's fertilizer ordinance prohibits using nitrogen fertilizer during the summer period, since the summer rains will wash the nitrogen into our waterways, leading to the formation of more algae.

The County is going to a twice/yearly schedule of street sweeping. By doing this, less solid waste material will go into the sewers, making for less work cleaning out the sewer system.

## PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Cary Knight, director of Property Management, reviewed the Premier Sports Campus North project. The County plans 26 new pickleball courts at the new complex, which will be built near the new Lakewood Ranch library, with expected completion in 2026.

A new Manatee County Sheriff substation is also planned for the area, along with a parking garage.

## RESIDENT COMMENTS

No sooner than the news about the planned Premier Sports Campus pickleball courts was made public, a couple of County residents got up and took the BOCC to task, as they claimed that the County had promised public pickleball courts in the Lakewood Ranch area that were supposed to have been constructed two or more years ago.

A woman also reminded the commissioners that in her opinion, there were few American with Disabilities Act (ADA compliant) facilities in the County. Commissioner Mike Rahn replied that there are ADA compliant facilities at Tom Bennett Park.

One of the residents asked whether the County had plans for money to pay for clean-up after storms, as FEMA money has not been forthcoming. Commissioner Kevin Van Ostenbridge noted that the County is still waiting for FEMA compensation.

As far as the Commission's request, posted on their website, for residents to send in questions prior to the meeting, the commissioners did not address any previously submitted question before adjourning the meeting.



By Brittany Lamont

The Lakewood Ranch Business Alliance is committed to supporting the success of our members through unparalleled access to business connections, resources, and advocacy. Our Young Leaders Alliance, representing over 300 young professionals, celebrated their inaugural YLA Next Gen Awards, hosted in May at the Lakewood Ranch Golf and Country Club. Congratulations to our winners:

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Be sure to congratulate these young professionals making a huge difference in the Alliance and community!

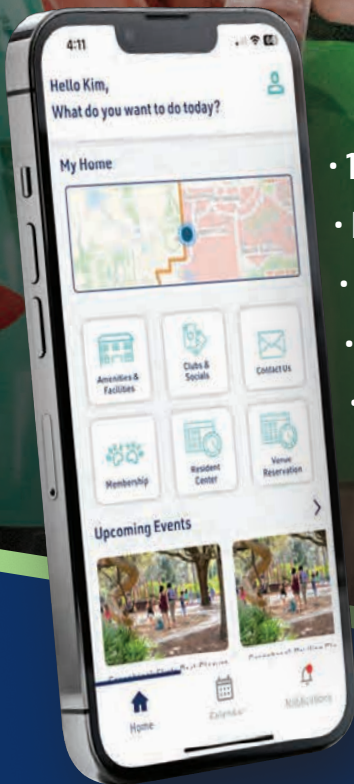
While you're at it, join us at our next monthly luncheon, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 26, at the Lakewood Ranch Golf and Country Club. The subject is "Bracing the Region for Hurricane Season." There will be an informative panel on what the Manatee-Sarasota region is doing to prepare with updates from both county emergency management teams, as well as Florida Power and Light. Find out what your business and home need to implement to stay safe this season. and connect with the newest members of the Alliance!

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