

[Junior Lifeguard tryouts scheduled for March and April](#)

The Sarasota County Lifeguard Service will hold open tryouts for the Junior Lifeguard Program from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, March 27, and Saturdays, April 10, 17 and 24, at the Arlington Pool and Aquatic Center, 2650 Waldemere St., Sarasota.

The two-week Junior Lifeguard program trains participants in the areas of water safety, rescue techniques, marine life, lifeguard competition events, surfing, CPR and other beach activities. The program is taught by certified lifeguards and emphasizes values of teamwork, discipline, responsibility and respect for the ocean and environment in a fun atmosphere. The cost of the program is \$150 and includes a \$25 non-refundable registration fee, rashguard, T-shirt, duffle bag, whistle and a membership in the United States Lifeguard Association.

"The Junior Lifeguard program is a great way for kids to learn teamwork, discipline and responsibility," said Sarah Caldabaugh, Sarasota County lifeguard. According to Caldabaugh, having fun is a big part of the program. "When a 12-year-old tells you this was the most fun they have had on the beach and you know they have learned skills that could save a life, that means you have a winning program."

Participants from ages 9-17 must successfully complete a tryout to enter the camp that includes a physical endurance test. They must also be able to swim at least 100 yards in two and one-half minutes as well as treading water for at least five minutes.

Applicants can apply for tryouts online by visiting the Sarasota County Web site at www.scgov.net and selecting "L" (for Lifeguard Operations) in the County A-Z search engine.

For more information, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000 and ask about the Junior Lifeguard program.

[Celebrate National Library Week April 11-17 in the Sarasota County Library System](#)

Sarasota County's eight public libraries will celebrate National Library Week, April 11-17, with a variety of fun and educational activities and programs for all ages. This year's theme, "Communities thrive @ your library," celebrates the important contributions of libraries to communities throughout the nation.

Among the events offered during the week are open mike readings, demonstrations of online resources, talks by authors, music programs, children's activities and more. At several libraries, community groups will provide information about how to get involved in their activities.

A full listing of programs is available on the library Web site, <http://sclibs.net>. For more information, visit any of the county's public libraries, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000 or visit the Web site, <http://sclibs.net>.

[Colonial Gables Homeowners' Association July 2010 - June 2011 membership year.](#)

Colonial Gables Homeowners Association board will be sending out the membership request for July 2010 - June 2011 membership year, in the coming weeks. Membership dues can be mailed to the Colonial Gables Homeowners Association, 4025 Cattlemen Road, PMB # 137, Sarasota FL 34233-5002

[Registration begins for Parks and Recreation summer camps](#)

Registration for Sarasota County Parks and Recreation summer camps begins Monday, March 22. Children entering grades 1-9 can enjoy a summer of discovery in safe and exciting settings with a tremendous selection of camps offered over 11 weeks.

Traditional day camps are offered in 4-week sessions from June 14-July 9 and July 12-Aug. 6 at Arlington Park, Bee Ridge Park, Colonial Oaks Park and Longwood Park in Sarasota and Woodmere Park in Venice.

Adventure camp for children entering grades 6-9 is offered in the same 4-week sessions at Colonial Oaks Park in Sarasota. Adventure campers enjoy challenging activities and four weekly field trips.

Specialty camps are back and include Mad Science camps, Video Gamer camps, Chef camp, Water Sports camps, Skateboard camp and more. New this year are Skim, Skate and Scooter camp with instruction from World Wakesurf Champion Drew Daniello, Dirty Jobs camps, Clown camp and more!

Parks and Recreation also offers a variety of sports camps including Junior Tennis/Swim camp and the new Pee Wee Basketball camp for ages 5-7. Sports camps are offered in June and August at Woodmere Park in Venice.

- One-week mini camps are available in three weekly sessions, June 7-11, Aug. 9-13 and Aug. 16-20 at various locations. All activities take place on-site and are included in the \$80 fee.
- Open gym programs are offered at a greatly reduced rate of \$11 per four-week session at Newtown Estates and Robert L. Taylor Community Complex in Sarasota and Laurel Park in Laurel.
- Therapeutic Camp for special kids is offered at Oak Park School and runs June 14-Aug. 6 in conjunction with the summer school schedule. The fee of \$420 includes all activities.

Volunteer opportunities are available for youth entering 10th grade and older to complete service hours needed for school while assisting counselors and enjoying camp activities. Following an interview, a limited number of volunteers will be utilized at locations throughout the county.

Rates for Traditional, Adventure and Environmental camps remain the same as 2008 and 2009 and financial assistance is available to qualifying Sarasota County residents for day and adventure camps. Program and registration information is available online at parksonline.scgov.net or in the [Summer Camp Guide](#) (1.35 MG), available at any Sarasota County recreation center, library or county building.

Register for camp programs at parksonline.scgov.net. For information call the camp office at 941-861-9870 or pick up a summer camp booklet at any recreation center, library or government building.



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861-5800

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Seminar focuses on Fair Housing Act

For landlords, Realtors, and others dealing with housing issues, the Sarasota Office of Housing and Community Development will conduct a seminar on the federal Fair Housing Act.

- **When:** From 9 a.m.-noon and 1:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 21
- **Where:** 11th floor conference room at Northern Trust Bank, 1515 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota

During the morning session, the seminar will focus on topics for landlords, property managers, Realtors and others buying and selling property:

- Brief history of the Fair Housing Act
- The Fair Housing Act and prohibited practices
- Fair housing for people with disabilities
- Reasonable accommodations and reasonable modifications
- Policies and procedures to avoid liability
- Landlord and tenant issues

The afternoon session will focus on topics for permitting officials, architects and builders of multifamily dwellings:
Accessibility in design and construction
Florida Fair Housing Act requirements
Common violations and how to avoid them

Each session will conclude with a question-and-answer period. Attendees can attend one or both sessions. There is no requirement to attend both. There is no charge to attend the sessions, but attendees should make reservations by contacting Gail Magliano at 941-951-3640 ext. 3774 or Gail.Magliano@sarasotagov.com

County Road Projects Construction - Cone Zone

Honore Avenue from Fruitville Road to Bee Ridge Road:

Construction continues this week on Phase of the Honore Avenue improvement project from Bee Ridge Road to Colonial Oaks Boulevard. Brookmeade Drive remains closed through Friday, May 14.

Colonial Gables Homeowners Association
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GENERAL MEETINGS

Colonial Oaks Park –
5300 Colonial Oaks Blvd
Sarasota 34232

Room C

May 4, 2010

7:00 - 8:00p.m.

**General Elections for
the 2010-2011
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