

EVENTS AND CLASSES

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JANUARY-MARCH 2020

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Events

Location: UF/IFAS Extension Sarasota County

Home Irrigation Inspection Training	Jan 03 9-11 a.m.	Learn about your home watering system, and get steps to save water and money
Lawn Care Made Simple	Jan 07 1-3 p.m.	Simple steps to get a healthy lawn to keep you happy year-round
“Wild Orchid Man: In the Devil’s Realm” Film Screening and Q&A	Jan 08 10 a.m.-noon	Journey to Tasmania and western Australia with Stig Dalström, the Wild Orchid Man. (Fee: \$0-10)
Preserving Foods Through Dehydration	Jan 14 1:30-2:30 p.m.	Dehydrating basics, including best foods to dehydrate, dehydrating fruits and vegetables, and much more. (Fee: \$5)
Palm Care Made Simple	Jan 21 9-11 a.m.	Simple steps to get (and keep) healthy palm trees year-round
Cooking with Electricity: Instant Pressure Cooker Basics	Jan 24 9-11 a.m.	Learn the basics of using that amazing electric multicooker, in our easy, 2-hour class that covers, functions, safety and even recipes. (Fee: \$15)
One Seed: Creative Collards	Jan 24 1-3 p.m.	Your guide to greens, with a Q-and-A session and a free tasting
Cooking with Electricity: Instant Pressure Cooker Basics	Jan 28 2-4 p.m.	Learn the basics of using that amazing electric multicooker, in our easy, 2-hour class that covers, functions, safety and even recipes. (Fee: \$15)
Canning: Hot Chile Salsa and Fruit Salsa	Jan 30 9 a.m.-noon	Hands-on lessons in preparing and canning zesty chile salsa and flavorful fruit salsa (Fee: \$15)
Preserving Foods Through Dehydration	Feb 20 1-2 p.m.	Dehydrating basics, including best foods to dehydrate, dehydrating fruits and vegetables, and much more. (Fee: \$5)
Canning Strawberry Preserves and Fruit Salsa	Feb 21 9 a.m.-noon	Hands-on lessons in preparing and canning tasty jams and salsas (Fee: \$15)
Cooking with Electricity: Instant Pressure Cooker Basics	Feb 25 6-8 p.m.	Learn the basics of using that amazing electric multicooker, in our easy, 2-hour class that covers, functions, safety and even recipes. (Fee: \$15)

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Location: UF/IFAS Extension Sarasota County (cont'd)

Home Irrigation Inspection Training	Mar 03 9-11 a.m.	Learn about your home watering system, and get steps to save water and money
Closing Up Your Florida Home	Mar 06 10-11 a.m.	Learn to prepare your home – inside and out – before leaving for an extended time
Brainstorming for HOA Landscape Committees	Mar 09 1-3 p.m.	Discuss establishing efficient HOA committees, managing landscape plans, or improving old landscapes
Cooking with Electricity: Instant Pressure Cooker Basics	Mar 10 9-11 a.m.	Learn the basics of using that amazing electric multicooker, in our easy, 2-hour class that covers, functions, safety and even recipes. (Fee: \$15)
Closing Up Your Florida Home	Mar 19 6-7 p.m.	Learn to prepare your home – inside and out – before leaving for an extended time
Happy with Your HOA Landscape?	Mar 20 9-11 a.m.	Advice to improve your HOA landscapes, the Florida-friendly way
Rain Barrel Workshop	Mar 21 10-11 a.m.	Learn to save money and protect resources by using rain barrels to capture stormwater runoff, and purchase barrels for \$37 each.
Pruning for Homeowners and HOA Members	Mar 23 9-11 a.m.	Learn best practices for pruning shrubs and trees
Closing Up Your Florida Home	Mar 24 1-2 p.m.	Learn to prepare your home – inside and out – before leaving for an extended time
Palm Care Made Simple	Mar 30 9-11 a.m.	Simple steps to get (and keep) healthy palm trees year-round
Closing Up Your Florida Home	Mar 31 9-10 a.m.	Learn to prepare your home – inside and out – before leaving for an extended time

Location: Curry Creek Preserve East (Venice)

EcoWalk: Unique Preserves of Sarasota County: Curry Creek East	Mar 04 9-11 a.m.	This ‘walk and talk’ class showcases unique areas of Sarasota County, the plants and wildlife there, and related environmental issues.
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Location: Elsie Quirk Library (Englewood)

Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ 101	Jan 28 10:30-11:30 a.m.	Learn the nine principles to having a beautiful landscape while protecting the environment
Native Plants for Birds	Feb 03 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Learn the native plants and food that will attract beautiful songbirds to your landscape.
Drawdown	Mar 04 6-7 p.m.	Learn a solutions-focused approach to climate change, and steps you can take locally.

Location: Fruitville Library (Sarasota)

Energy Upgrade Workshop	Jan 29 5:30-6:30 p.m.	From DIY projects to larger investments, learn ways to save energy, water and more at home. Attendees get a free "Energy Saving Kit" to save around the home.
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Location: Garden of the Five Senses (North Port)

Brown-bag Gardening Series: Succulent Gardens	Jan 16 Noon to 1 p.m.	Tips and techniques for a low-maintenance, beautiful Florida garden with succulent plants
Brown-bag Gardening Series: Plants for Butterflies and Bees	Feb 27 Noon-1 p.m.	Tips to make your garden a haven for butterflies, bees and other pollinators
Brown-bag Gardening Series: Wicked Weeds	Mar 19 Noon-1 p.m.	Learn to identify and control common lawn weeds

Location: Lemon Bay Park and Environmental Center (Englewood)

EcoWalk: Florida's Fabulous Plant Heritage	Jan 13 2-4 p.m.	Start in the classroom for information about our array of plant life, and then, weather permitting, take a tour of key ecosystems.
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Location: Mansota Scrub Preserve (Englewood)

EcoWalk: Unique Preserves of Sarasota County: Manasota Scrub	Feb 13 9-11 a.m.	This 'walk and talk' class showcases unique areas of Sarasota County, the plants and wildlife there, and related environmental issues.
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Location: Red Bug Slough Preserve (Sarasota)

EcoWalk: Meditation in the Parks at Red Bug Slough	Feb 06 9-10 a.m.	Join us for an exploration of finding peace within nature.
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Location: Selby Library (Sarasota)

How to Make Your Home Age-Friendly	Feb 24 5:30-6:30 p.m.	Learn to address personal housing needs for you or a loved one who is aging or disabled
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Location: Shamrock Park and Nature Center (Venice)

Shamrock Park Demonstration Garden Tour	Jan 02 9-11 a.m.	Master Gardener volunteers give tours of the demonstration garden the first Thursday of each month
Shamrock Park Demonstration Garden Tour	Feb 06 9-11 a.m.	Master Gardener volunteers give tours of the demonstration garden the first Thursday of each month
Shamrock Park Demonstration Garden Tour	Mar 05 9-11 a.m.	Master Gardener volunteers give tours of the demonstration garden the first Thursday of each month
EcoWalk: Alien Invaders!	Mar 19 2-4 p.m.	Start in the classroom to learn about exotic species in our area and then, weather permitting, take a tour of key ecosystems.

Location: Shannon Staub Library (North Port)

Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ 101	Jan 07 10:30-11:30 a.m.	Learn the nine principles to having a beautiful landscape while protecting the environment
Native Plants for Birds	Feb 04 10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Learn the native plants and food that will attract beautiful songbirds to your landscape.
Cool Plants to Attract Butterflies and Pollinators	Mar 03 10:30-11:30 a.m.	Learn to attract butterflies, birds, bees, and more to your landscape with a beautiful wildlife garden.

Location: Sleeping Turtles Preserve North (Venice)

EcoWalk: Unique Preserves of Sarasota County	Jan 22 9-11 a.m.	This 'walk and talk' class showcases unique areas of Sarasota County, the plants and wildlife there, and related environmental issues.
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Location: South Venice Lemon Bay Preserve (Venice)

EcoWalk: Scrub Stroll: South Venice Lemon Bay Preserve

Mar 31
9-11 a.m.

This 'walk and talk' class will introduce you to the unique scrub environment, plants and animals of an ancient dune system.

Location: William H. Jervey Jr. Library (Venice)

Green Living: Tips for Becoming More Sustainable

Mar 31
5:30-6:30 p.m.

Learn how to build sustainability into your life, work, and community, and how to foster it

Location: Woodmere Park (Venice)

Rain Barrel Workshop

Feb 15
10 a.m.-11 a.m.

Learn to save money and protect resources by using rain barrels to capture stormwater runoff, and purchase barrels for \$37 each.

Professional/Commercial Events

Location: UF/IFAS Extension Sarasota County

Florida Master Naturalist Program: Wildlife Monitoring Special Topic

Series starts
Jan 06
9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Learn about Florida's environment and increase your knowledge for use in education programs (note: three-date, 24-hour series) (Fee: \$195)

Weed ID and Natural Areas/ R-O-W CEU Review

Jan 09
8:30 a.m.-
12:30 p.m.

Training in application of herbicides in natural areas (Fee: \$0-25)

Starting a Prepared Food Business at Home

Jan 13
1-3 p.m.

Learn what types of foods can be produced for sale, and labeling requirements

Florida Master Naturalist Program: Freshwater Core Module

Series starts
Feb 04
9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Learn about Florida's environment and increase your knowledge for use in education programs (note: six-date, 40-hour series) (Fee: \$295)

Fertilizer Licensing & CEUs: Green Industries Best Management Practices (GIBMPs) Seminar

Mar 05
8:30 a.m.-
4:30 p.m.

Training in Best Management Practices (BMPs) for anyone working in the lawn, landscape, pest control, or municipal grounds areas. (Fee: \$0-25)

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- ✿ Join and attend one of our many, varied clubs: sarasota.ifas.ufl.edu/4hclubs
- ✿ Participate in an event
- ✿ Camp with 4-H!
 - ✿ 4-H Day Camp, June 8-12
 - ✿ Camp Cloverleaf, June 22-26



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Census Sarasota County

More than just a number.

Census data affects more than congressional and state legislative district boundaries. It determines how more than \$675 billion is spent supporting state, county and community programs, including funding for children's health insurance, nutrition and education, housing assistance, infrastructure and Medicaid.



This census will be the first to request that all responses be entered online. Complete your form at census.gov.



If you don't have a computer at home, visit any Sarasota County public library to use one of ours.



If you can't respond online, call toll-free **800-923-8282** for help completing the census or to request a traditional questionnaire.

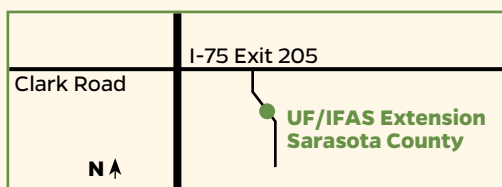



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the 2020 Census at
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Event Location Addresses

Main Location
UF/IFAS Extension
Sarasota County
Twin Lakes Park,
Green Building
6700 Clark Road
Sarasota 34241



Curry Creek Preserve
1500 Pinebrook Road
Venice 34285

Elsie Quirk Library
100 West
Dearborn Street
Englewood 34223

Fruitville Library
100 Coburn Road
Sarasota 34240

**Garden of the
Five Senses**
4299 Pan American
Boulevard
North Port 34287

**Lemon Bay Park and
Environmental Center**
570 Bay Park Boulevard
Englewood 34223

**Manasota
Scrub Preserve**
2695 Bridge Street
Englewood 34223

**Red Bug
Slough Preserve**
5200 Beneva Road
Sarasota 34233

Selby Library
1331 First Street
Sarasota 34236

**Shamrock Park and
Nature Center**
3900 Shamrock Drive
Venice 34293

Shannon Staub Library
4901 North
Cranberry Boulevard
North Port 34286

**Sleeping Turtles
Preserve North**
3462 Border Road
Venice 34292

**South Venice Lemon
Bay Preserve**
6200 Osprey Road
Venice 34293

**William H.
Jervey Jr. Library**
300 Nokomis
Avenue South
Venice 34285

Woodmere Park
3951 Woodmere Park
Boulevard
Venice 34293

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