



# ALUMS, Inc.

*Celebrating 46 Years*

**FEB. 2026**

Website: <http://Alumsincsarasota.com>

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**MONTHLY LUNCHEON MEETING – FEB. 27, 2026**

## **President's Corner-**

Greetings,

2026 has not started off smoothly in the United States and abroad. Dangerous weather conditions, riots, and nations in conflict come to mind. One could be pessimistic, but I tend to be optimistic and feel that certain situations will improve and get better. A quote from Anne Frank sticks in my mind, and it is, "Think of all the beauty still left around you and be happy."

We are surrounded by beauty in Sarasota, so we should appreciate these God given gifts. Certain situations can be controlled, but others are more difficult. Take time and find something daily that will make you happy.

Remember to mark your calendar for our March 27 fashion show. Details will be coming soon.

Also, the club needs volunteers to fill certain positions. We need your help, so please think about what you can do and speak to anyone on the board or committee members.

Peace and Love,

**Emily**



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<http://alumsincsarasota.com>

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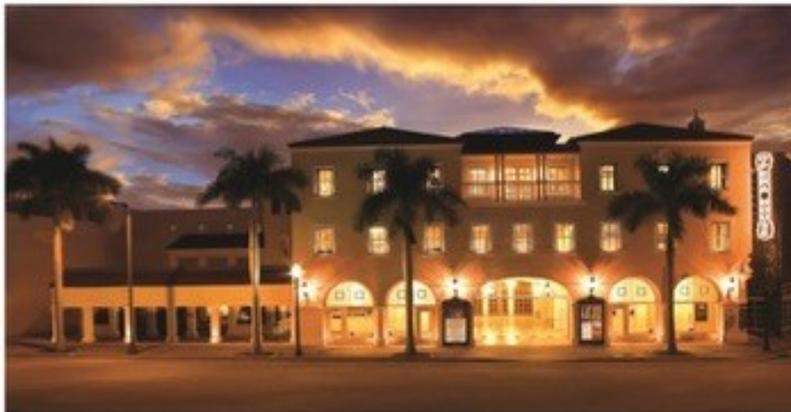
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## FEBRUARY 2026 PROGRAM

The logo for Sarasota Opera features the words "SARASOTA" and "OPERA" in a bold, sans-serif font. "SARASOTA" is positioned above "OPERA". The text is overlaid on a circular graphic composed of overlapping, semi-transparent orange and yellow circles, creating a textured, sun-like effect.

SARASOTA  
OPERA

**Alums Luncheon  
February 27, 2026  
TARA  
Country Club**



Dr. Rosanne Martorella, Trustee of the Sarasota Opera will share with us how we can “Discover the World Behind the Blue Curtain” at the Sarasota Opera House, which this year enters it’s 67<sup>th</sup> season, celebrating 100 years of this historic performance venue.

Hear about the Opera’s acquisition of an historic collection of over 30,000 costumes, some of which have been worn by the greatest opera stars like Luciano Pavorotti, Beverly Sills and Marilyn Horne.

**And Finally.....Professor Martorella will present Sarasota Opera Singers who will sing for us highlights of arias from the Opera repertory. Come and hear what the Sarasota Opera Season has in store for us in its Winter Festival from February to April.**



# 2026 FASHION SHOW

SAVE THE DATE

MARCH 27, 2026

“SPREAD YOUR WINGS”

FASHIONS BY PATCHINGTON'S  
of VENICE

AT MADISON'S 41

MEMBERS \$40 / GUESTS \$45

RAFFLES: will be 3 Tickets for \$5

Many different items to be raffled

## **SPECIAL INTERESTS**

Bridge	Janet Lady 941-228-5637 jlady101@aol.com
Men's Slo Pitch Softball	Bill Welch 941-313-6584 randbwelch@verizon.net
Hand & Foot Ladies	Nancy Clark 941-685-2717 clark4671@verizon.net
Men's Luncheon	Gary Olson 941-346-0378 govideoman@aol.com
Out to Lunch Bunch	Bridgit Campbell 248-766-5524 bridgit1958@gmail.com
Stamping Class	Terry Dell'Amico 570-351-7453 teelee9@verizon.net
Ladies' Golf	Joan Magiet 516-850-9686 journals@aol.com
Mah Jong	Joan Magiet 516-850-9686 journals@aol.com

## **BRIDGE**

**2nd Tuesdays  
12 noon**

**Feb. 10**

**Janet Lady  
jlady101@aol.com  
941-228-5637**

## **LADIES HAND & FOOT**

### **Hand & Foot Canasta**

**Group meets at Heritage Oaks Country Club, Little Oaks Room on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Fridays. Gather at 9:45 - Game begins at 10:00 followed by lunch. Afternoon group gather at 11:30 for lunch followed by game thereafter. \$1 donation for holiday luncheon.**

**Nancy Clark  
941-685-2717.**

A note from **Joan Magiet -**

Please contact her by phone or text at **516 850-9686**

if you would like to play mah jong or golf once a month.

## **MEN'S LUNCHEON**

**MADFISH GRILL  
4059 CATTLEMEN  
Sarasota, FL  
941-377-3474**

**FEB. 18**

**Gary Olson  
govideoman@aol.com  
941-346-0378**

## **STAMPING CLASS**

### **TERRY'S CARD CLASS**

**Classes 3rd and 4th Mondays at 1 pm**

**At the home of  
Terry Dell'Amico**

**Terry at teelee9@verizon.net**



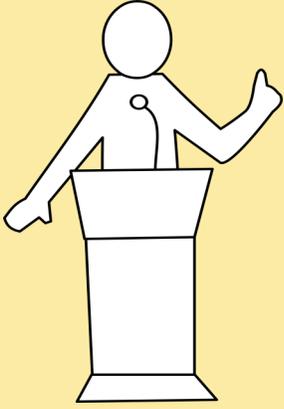
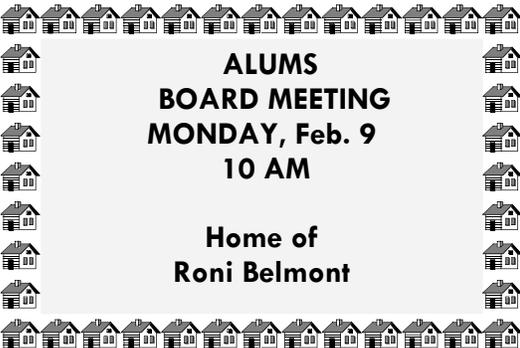
**Exciting  
UPCOMING  
EVENTS**

- Gloria's Gals - Feb. 3**
- Alums Board Meeting - Feb. 9**
- Bridge - Feb. 10**
- Happy Hour Honey's - Feb. 13**
- Stamping Class - Feb. 17 & 24**
- ALUMS Luncheon - Feb. 27**
- Fashion Show - Mar. 27, 2026**
- Sarasota Pops - April 11, 2026  
(Ed Smith Stadium)**

Deadline for March  
Newsletter  
Feb. 9th **PLEASE**  
Send articles to:  
**Kathy Shambe**  
  
**[kmshambe@gmail.com](mailto:kmshambe@gmail.com)**

**FUTURE LUNCHEON  
DATES:**

Feb. 27, 2026 Tara CC  
Mar. 27, 2026 Mattison's 41  
Apr. 24, 2026 Tara CC

**ALUMS  
BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, Feb. 9  
10 AM**

**Home of  
Roni Belmont**

GLORIA'S GALS

TAKOS CANTINA

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 3

5770 RANCH LAKE BLVD.  
BRADENTON - LOCATED IN THE  
WALMART PLAZA JUST EAST OF  
175 ENTERING OFF S.R. 70

ALL OF YOUR MEXICAN FAVORITES  
ARE AVAILABLE: BURRITO, TACOS,  
ENCHILADES, CHALUPA, & TOSTADA

PLEASE CALL OR TEXT LYNNE CHEAL  
941-773-5153 TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT

LEAVE NAME PHONE # AND EMAIL AND  
**PLEASE**, LET LYNNE KNOW IF YOU CAN'T  
MAKE IT



## **HAPPY HOUR HONEY'S**

### **FLEMINGS AT UTC**

The Shops at UTC  
8306 Tourist Center Drive  
Bradenton

3:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

FRIDAY  
FEBRUARY 13

CONTACT:  
BRIDGIT CAMPBELL  
248-766-5524

**\$9 COCKTAILS & BITES**

SPECIALTY COCKTAILS LIKE  
"TIME IS HONEY" or  
"AGAVE MY HEART"  
BITES SUCH AS  
CRAB CAKE , FILET MIGNON,  
OR MEATBALL  
CHICKEN SLIDERS

# DIRECTORY UPDATES



**DIRECTORY ADDITIONS:  
PLEASE POST IN DIRECTORY UPDATE**

**NO UPDATES THIS MONTH**

Barbara Schott	Feb	5
Donna Aguirre-Doyle	Feb	6
Ardith Stansell	Feb	8
Karen Sivia	Feb	9
Roni Belmont	Feb	11
Bette Criffield	Feb	17
Venus Barsa	Feb	20
Elaine Ames	Feb	21
Helen LiMarzi	Feb	27

**Thinking of You**

If you know anyone who is ill, or has a spouse who is ill, or has a death in the family, or just needs encouragement for whatever reason and could use a card, please call or email:

**Terry Passarelli**  
941-727-5428  
annielab12@gmail.com

Get well wishes were sent to Terry Passerelli

**DONATIONS TO  
RESURRECTION HOUSE**

Please remember to donate small hotel-size bottles of shampoo and toothpaste, those amenities we get while traveling. **Each month a basket for collecting these donations will be available near the 50-50 desk.**

**RESERVATION FORM - LUNCHEON FEB. 27  
DEADLINE - NO REFUNDS AFTER FEB. 20**

**Tara Golf & Country Club  
6602 Drewrys Bluff  
Bradenton, FL 34203**

**11:00 am Social Hour  
11:45 am Meeting  
12:15 pm Luncheon  
1:00 pm Program  
Spouses/Guests Are Invited**

**BUFFET SERVICE INCLUDES:  
TGCC Salad (Raspberry & Ranch Dressing)  
Bourbon Glazed Salmon  
Pork Milanese with Lemon Butter & Arugula Salad  
Wild Rice, Vegetable Medley  
Warm Rolls & Butter  
Ice Cream and Assorted Desserts  
Iced Tea, Coffee, and Hot Tea  
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE NOT INCLUDED.**

**Return reservation form with check for \$35  
(no cash accepted) payable to: ALUMS**

**ATTENTION - MARY EVANS NEW ADDRESS**

**Mail to: Mary Evans, 8400 Vamo Road Apt. 806, Sarasota, FL 34231  
Call Mary Evans at 1-301-704-3772 or email her at mary\_evans28@aol.com  
If you need to cancel or have questions.**

**Seating Requests - Please make sure the persons you request  
to sit with are attending the luncheon before submitting your request.  
Reservations/Cancellations must be made a week in advance to receive a refund.**



**RESERVATION FORM - LUNCHEON Feb. 27      NO REFUNDS AFTER Feb. 20**

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ place(s) at \$35 per person.

Check(s) for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

Buffet Service, see above

MEMBER NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

GUEST NAME \_\_\_\_\_  HOUSE  PROSPECTIVE MEMBER

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON





