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In the U.S. News & World Report's Best Senior Living rating, The Windsor of Venice, 1600 Center Road, is recognized as high-performing for assisted living and memory care.

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The state was the runner-up in each category, too: ■87 high-performing assisted living communities, behind 90 in Texas.

■36 high-performing independent living communities, compared to 37 in California.

■53 high-performing memory care communities, versus 69 in California.

■10 high-performing continuing care communities; California has 13.

Miami-Fort Lauderdale (29) and Orlando (15) were among the metropolitan areas with the most high-performing communities.

SARASOTA COUNTY

Only two senior living communities in Sarasota County made U.S. News' list:

■Heartis Venice was named high-performing for assisted living and independent living. It doesn't offer memory care or continuing

care, according to the report.

■The Windsor of Venice is high-performing for assisted living and memory care. It doesn't offer the other two services, the report states.

There were 13 communities in Sarasota County were evaluated, according to the report.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY

All of the six communities evaluated in Charlotte County received at least one high-performing rating:

■Brookdale Port Charlotte, for assisted living.

■Brookdale Punta Gorda Isles, for assisted living.

■Brookdale Rotonda, for assisted living.

■Lexington Manor, of Port Charlotte, for assisted living.

■South Port Square, of Port Charlotte, for independent living, memory care and continuing care.

■The Meridian at Punta Gorda Isles, for assisted living and memory care.



In the U.S. News & World Report's Best Senior Living rating, Heartis Venice is named high-performing for assisted living and independent living.

South Port Square also offers assisted living but wasn't named high-performing for it. None of the other communities offers additional services, the

report states.

A searchable directory of the U.S. News Best Senior Living ratings is available at: [Health.usnews.com/best-senior-living](https://www.health.usnews.com/best-senior-living)

City of Venice Modified Phase III "Extreme" Water Shortage Restrictions

The Southwest Florida Water Management District has implemented Modified Phase III "Extreme" Water Shortage Restrictions to address dry conditions through water shortage actions. Details of the new restrictions are as follows:

Effective Date

- Modified Phase III restrictions began April 3, 2026, and run through July 1, 2026.

Lawn Watering Days and Times

- Lawn and landscape watering remains limited to a once-per-week schedule.
- Below is the watering days schedule based on addresses ending in:
 - Even number houses - on Tuesday
 - Odd number houses - on Thursday
- Watering hours are reduced to 12:01 a.m. to 4 a.m. or 8 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
- The restrictions apply to residents irrigating with potable water, ponds, lakes and private wells. However, reclaimed water is only subject to voluntary watering hours, unless restricted by the local government or utility.

Hand watering and Micro irrigation

- Residents may still hand water plants or use micro irrigation on to water flower beds, shrubs, or other plant material (other than lawns) on any day. However, it is limited to the hours of before 8 a.m. or after 6 p.m.

New Lawns and Plants

- New lawns and plants have a 60-day establishment period. On days 1-30, new lawns and plants may be watered any day of the week.

Mobile Equipment Washing

- Car washing at home (non-commercial) is only allowed on your lawn watering day and you must use a hose with a shutoff nozzle.
- Car washing of fire trucks and other emergency vehicles is allowed.
- Car wash fundraisers held on behalf of non-profit organizations are prohibited, except for one-day events that were scheduled prior to April 3, 2026.
- Rinsing of boats and flushing of boat engines is allowed after each use when needed to remove salt water or to prevent the transportation of exotic plant or animal material.

For more information visit the SWFWMD website at <https://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us> or contact the City of Venice Utilities Department at (941) 480-3333.

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Drone/

Leisenring said the city's needs are still being evaluated. That's why he put one drone in his Fiscal Year 2028 CIP budget.

He said he'd loved to be able to get one next year, but it's not realistic to move that fast.

"Things are changing dramatically over the next year," he said. "We're not quite there yet."

The cities of North Port and Sarasota are moving forward with drone acquisition, Leisenring said, and Sarasota County is considering it.

"It's one of those things that will happen," he said.

He compared it to the installation of computers in patrol vehicles.

"It's just a matter of time and the way we implement it, and the cost," Leisenring said.

The city has two drones now, Hartley said, and seven people trained to fly them. He's one of them.

They're shared across departments, but the one Leisenring is pitching would be for public safety.

The two current drones have to be transported to where they're to be launched, which potentially exposes the pilot to the danger being investigated. The Skydio package is for "drone as first responder," with the drone flying autonomously, though the Federal Aviation Administration currently requires that a human launch it, Hartley said.

A 911 call would send the coordinates to the drone, which, after launch, would then fly to them and use its cameras to livestream a feed

to the computers and cell-phones of emergency personnel. The pilot, working remotely, could control it as needed.

According to Skydio's website, the drone can fly at 45 mph with an unlimited range on cellphone towers, and a 40-minute battery life.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **Megalodon Notary Services** located at **130 Castleberry Ct.**, in the County of Sarasota, in the City of Venice, Florida, 34285 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated on April 10, 2026
Sole Owner: Celena Nichole Radcliff
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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **Old School Cops** located at **5238 Canyonland Way**, in the County of Sarasota, in the City of Venice, Florida, 34293 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated on April 09, 2026
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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of **Timbre Designs LLC** located at **4300 42nd Way**, in the County of Sarasota, in the City of SARASOTA, Florida, 34235 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. Dated on April 10, 2026
Sole Owner: TIMBRE THOMPSON
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Notice to creditors

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2026-CP-000883-SC

IN RE: DOMINICK F. GIAMBRONE A/K/A DOMINICK FRANK GIAMBRONE, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of **DOMINICK F. GIAMBRONE**, deceased, whose date of death was **January 26, 2026**, is pending in the Circuit Court for Sarasota County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is **Post Office Box 3079, Sarasota, Florida 34230**. The names and addresses of the personal representatives and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

The personal representative has no duty to discover whether any property held at the time of the decedent's death by the decedent or the decedent's surviving spouse is property to which the Florida Uniform Disposition of Community Property Rights at Death Act as described in ss. 732.216-732.228, Florida Statutes, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes. The written demand must be

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filed with the clerk. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is April 8, 2026. Attorney for Personal Representatives: MATTHEW RHEINGANS Attorney Florida Bar Number: 0624608 1314 E. Venice Avenue, Suite E Venice, Florida 34285 Telephone: (941) 412-9000 E-Mail: matt@rheinganslaw.com Secondary E-Mail: patty@rheinganslaw.com

Personal Representatives: Lisa Giambrone 1161-B Argyll Circle Lakewood, New Jersey 08701 Publish: 04/08/26, 04/15/26 100437 3986790

Notice of sale

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that STORQUEST intends to sell the personal property described below, which is stored at 5115 Englewood Road Venice, FL 34293, to enforce a lien imposed on said property under The Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statutes (Section 83.801-83.809). The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on 04/24/2026 scheduled at 10:00 AM at www.storage-etreasures.com

Name: Unit # Contents:
Richard Floyd 1250 Household Goods, Boxes
Kurt J Steinger 1308 Household Goods, Boxes
Aaron Johnson 2047 Household Goods
Michael Drumgool 5025 Household Goods, Boxes, Trunks

Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase by cash only. All purchased items are sold as is, where is, and must be removed at the time of the sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. Publish: 4/8/26, 4/15/26 413237 3986533

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Upcoming Community Events

Community Lunch & Learn | "Adding Years to Life and Life to Years: Evidence-based Strategies for Healthy Aging" Presented by Mia Bustamante, PA-C

Tuesday, April 17 • 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Grand Living at Wellen Park
19985 Market Way • Venice, FL
Lunch provided. **RSVP to 941.284.0074**

Palm Trees & Pearls Senior Prom

Thursday, April 23 • 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
San Pedro Catholic Church
14380 S Tamiami Trail • North Port, FL
Dress to impress! Enjoy catered luncheon, refreshments, entertainment and photo booth. **RSVP to 941.426.2500 ext. 106 or seniorlife@sanpedrocc.org**

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