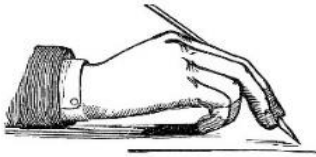


## **SLPA Newsletter – September 2025**

There will be a **SLPA Board of Directors/members** meeting on **Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 pm at the Community Center located at 209 Spring Lake Blvd.

**The Spring Lake Improvement District** will hold a Regular Board Meeting on **Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 AM. For more information on District projects and activities go to their web site at: [www.springlakefl.com](http://www.springlakefl.com)



### **FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN**

Hello Spring Lake

I hope everyone is well and staying cool this summer has been brutal. The Apex garages are having an open house on Labor Day; we will be sending out the flyer via e-blast and posting it on the association website. There is a hidden agenda involved. Apex is looking to open a thru road from Madrid to Kenilworth extending Castile. I intend to speak with the Sheriff's office and the Fire Department to see if a thru road there would be beneficial to their personnel, and I want to hear your thoughts, opinions and concerns. You can always call me at (863) 633-8327. I don't always answer if I don't recognize the number, but leave a message, not a rant, and I will contact you asap. This is a crucial decision that requires your input. All information will be posted on the Spring Lake Property website.

I do my best to be kind and respectful to everyone but at our August HOA meeting a few people got out of control should this behavior happen again I will adjourn the meeting immediately and pick up where we left off next month. Your childish immature entitled behavior will not be tolerated. If you have a problem with that, please call me.

Thank you

Rick Logan  
Spring Lake Property Association  
Board President



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## A MESSAGE FROM THE VIOLATIONS OFFICER

Howdy friends and neighbors of Spring Lake. Well, the month of August came in with a little more rain, finally, going into the month of September. It has however been very humid and hotter than normal. Looking forward to cooler weather with more rain in the coming months. Make sure you are ready for the hurricane season by getting all the supplies you need to get through a stormy time during the hurricane.

As I am sitting here sharing my thoughts and there are several things that are on my mind. The one thing that is discussed a lot and still bothers me is how some of the residents who have lived less than two years in Spring Lake already want change. (CHANGE). To make something different alter or modify. And yet, they continue to abuse the restrictions set forth in our HOA covenant of restrictions. For the large part, most of the residents abide by the set restrictions while only a few residents who want change are the ones who are not willing to go by these restrictions. I do appreciate those residents that do take positive feedback. I know the board members appreciate that also.

I may be a little repetitive in some of my comments, but I feel that the residents that move into Spring Lake need to be updated and informed on what is going on and what we as an HOA expect from our residents.

People we need to watch our speed in Spring Lake; I know that we lead a fast pace of life. and that we are always late getting to work, school, and appointments. BUT PLEASE, slow down & obey the speed limits.

Recently we have had several commercial trucks and tractor trailer units parking overnight in Spring Lake. This is a violation in Spring Lake. Large trucks and Tractor Trailer units are not allowed. We also have several residents who park their vehicles on empty lots next to them or across the street from their residence. This is also a violation. Both are also a violation of HC County Code Enforcement and could result in fines if not taken seriously.

FYI: When a resident builds a fence to put their trailer or boat and trailer behind the fence and any part of the trailer or boat sticks above the height of the fence, it is considered a violation. If you can see the trailer or boat from the street in front, side street or back street it is a violation.

If we all jump in together and do what is right, we could make Spring Lake an even better place to live. If we just went by the restrictions from the property association, we could make a difference instead of adding to the problems. We always need to keep our mind open and be thankful for the things that we have today and do what is right. On the positive side, we are getting some valuable feedback on how we can work together to do a better job in making Spring Lake a great place to live.

If you do not have a copy of the restrictions for the Village you live in, you can go online to the SLPA web page and get a copy of them. <https://springlakepropertyassociation.com>

Please look at your address numbers on your house and mailbox, some of them need to be replaced, painted or just a face lift. This helps everyone, delivery people, friends, or someone you invited. (This is also a code requirement).

I want to thank those of you that make my job easier by calling and reporting any violation in your neighborhood. Please feel free to call me and let me know the address of the violation.

Finally, we are a Homeowners Association in which over one hundred violations are written each month because residents refuse to go by the restrictions. Right now, we send you three violation letters, and if nothing is done, we send that violation to our attorney. There have been suggestions received by the board that we need to implement a fine schedule for violations made in our Spring Lake HOA. Several complaints about the restrictions in Spring Lake have been brought to the board for discussion. We are a Home-Owners Association. The restrictions are there for you. They are not there to be abused. When you rented or purchased a home in Spring Lake you were made aware that you were moving into a deed restricted community and given a copy of the restrictions. Signs stating that this community is deed restricted are posted at each entrance. If you did not receive a copy of your deed restrictions from your realtor or in your SLPA Welcome Packet, you can go online to the SLPA website and read them online. Complaining about the restrictions does no one any good. Those complaints are like a sore. If you keep complaining

and do nothing to help, the sore just keeps getting worse. But if you do something about the violation, like the sore, it also will heal with some care and help. JUST SAYING

I want to thank you for the job well done. We could get even better if we just tried to correct the violations, read the restrictions, and abide by them. I do not like writing citations any better than you like receiving them. If we all worked together and did our part, we could make Spring Lake a better place to live. Feel free to call me anytime with your questions or concerns.

(217-653-2409)

Thank you. Leroy Kaylor



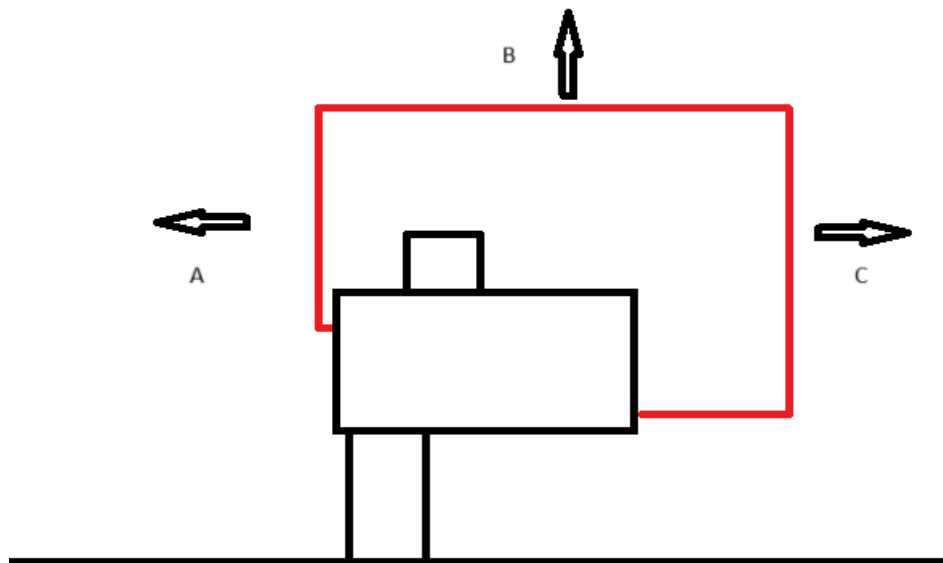
## The World of Permits

Hello Spring Lake...



I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer and enjoying the beautiful Florida weather. As we get into the heart of hurricane season and rough afternoon storms, please remember to keep jobsite clean and containers covered so debris doesn't become the neighbor's problem.

So, we went over setbacks last month and seem still to be having some problems. So here is small example of how to determine your setbacks.



So, the easy way to do this is to figure out what are A, B, and C's measurements are. The measurement is the distance from the property line to in this example the new fence which is in red. So, the measurement for A in this example is 10 feet, so that is the setback measurement for A. You would then obtain the back measurement or B in this example, which is the measurement from the property line to the new fence. So, the measurement for B in this example is 5 feet, so that is the setback measurement for B. You would then obtain the side measurement or measurement for C, which is the measurement from the property line to the new fence. So, the measurement in this example is 15 feet, so that is the setback measurement for C. The front setback isn't necessary in most cases as most structure or additions cannot proceed the leading edge of the residence. The only time the front setback would matter is in new construction or driveway additions or repairs.

Did you know we currently have over 42 open permits for "New Construction." This means Spring Lake is definitely growing. With this in mind I ask that if you have a problem with a construction site as far as trash building up or just messy workspaces to please contact me via email so this can be handled. I make my rounds two to three times a month, when not meeting with residences or constructors to discuss construction projects, but it is still difficult to get to every job site each week or every other week, so your help is greatly appreciated in this matter. We have been known to deny builders new permits until the outstanding jobsites are cleaned up and brought up to speed.

Well, I hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe remaining summer and if anyone ever has any questions about permits or other issues within the Spring Lake Community, please feel free to reach out. Thanks!

Kevin

[permits@springlakepropertyassociation.com](mailto:permits@springlakepropertyassociation.com)



**September 12, 26 – Yard Debris**  
**September 5, 19 – Bulk Waste pickup**

Florida Waste Solutions (863) 655-0005 or (863) 402-6505

**Remember – DO NOT SET ANY TRASH OUT UNTIL THURSDAY before the scheduled pick up day to avoid a reminder letter.**

**A copy of the 2025 pick up schedule is available in our office and on our website**



**SPRING LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH**

Located off Highway 98 at Spring Lake Village II entrance.  
7408 Valencia Road, at Spring Lake Blvd. Telephone (863) 655-2610

**SUNDAY:** We continue to hold services practicing social distancing and for those that are staying home, we have our worship service assessable at our website: [myspringlakebaptist.org](http://myspringlakebaptist.org).

**~Friends and guests invited to visit any week~**



### **FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH of LORIDA**

Pastor Rick Blythe

P.O. Box 267, 1927 Blessings Avenue, Lorida, FL. 33857

Church Phone 863-655-1878

<http://fbclorida.org>

Our services are as follows:

Sunday school (all ages) – 9:00 am      Morning Worship – 10:30 am      Sunday Evening Worship – 6:30 pm

Wednesday Prayer/Bible Study 6:30-7:30 pm

Wednesday Youth – Olympians (K-5<sup>th</sup>) 6:00 to 7:00 pm; Youth 6:00 to 7:30 pm

### **SPRING LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

5887 US Highway 98 - Sebring, FL 33876

Phone (863) 655-0713

Email: [springlakepc@yahoo.com](mailto:springlakepc@yahoo.com)

Website: [www.springlakepc.com](http://www.springlakepc.com)

***Our mission is to demonstrate God's love to each other and the world.***



Sunday morning worship service, in the Sanctuary, begins at 10:00 am. Nursery and Children Sunday School is available. You may also join us online with Zoom. Please call the office for instructions.

Pastors: John & Harriet Davis

Office hours - Monday - Thursday from 9 am - 2:00 pm

Wednesday @ 10:00 a.m. Conversation with God held In the Sanctuary.

Please bring a friend and enjoy some fellowship

## **Spring Lake United Methodist Church**



**Pastor Maureen Baker**

Administrative Assistant: Ernette Prueter

[www.umcspringlake.com](http://www.umcspringlake.com)

Email: [umc.springlake@gmail.com](mailto:umc.springlake@gmail.com)

YouTube @ Spring Lake UMC Sebring

Facebook @ Spring Lake UMC Sebring

8170 Cozumel Lane, Sebring, Florida 33876

Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM – Noon

(863) 655-0040

Come as you are! You will find people with a vision of tomorrow that is creating new places for new faces. You will find a warm welcome, kid-friendly spaces, Spirited Traditional Music, snacks & coffee after church and lots of smiles. Come and celebrate God's love, make a new friend, and be encouraged to live out your faith in the 21<sup>st</sup> century!

**Looking for a part time Computer Tech 3-5 hours per week. Sunday's mandatory in person time 9:30-11:00 AM, the rest remote - \$60.00 weekly. Must be proficient in PowerPoint, willing to learn. Submit your interest/resumé to Spring Lake United Methodist Church at [umc.springlake@gmail.com](mailto:umc.springlake@gmail.com).**



September

**ACTIVITIES**

(Everyone is invited to participate)

Every Sunday - **Worship** 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary and Live on [YouTube](#)

Pet friendly for our well-behaved leashed fur babies!



- Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 AM – **Bible Study** (New Testament) in the Fellowship Hall.
- Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM – **UMMW Potluck Breakfast** – Bring a dish to pass.
- Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM – **Worship and Communion**. Come join us!
- Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm – **Wrapped in Love**: This is a local organization supported by the church, that makes blankets for vulnerable children in Highlands County. Even if you don't sew, knit, or crochet, you can make a blanket. Our volunteers offer hands-on lessons and materials to assist you in making a difference in a child's life. **Lunch is always provided!** Donations of fabric and yarn are always graciously accepted.
- Sunday's at 9:15 AM: **Be The Light Choir Practice** – All who enjoy singing are encouraged to join.

Tuesday's – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> **LEARN** how to play Mahjong! 1:30 – 3:30 PM Everyone is invited.  
 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> **Play Mahjong and other games, cards and crafts!** 1:30 – 3:30 PM Come join us!

**We are located in the SPRING LAKE neighborhood: corner of Highway 98 & Monte Real –**  
 Come visit us, make new friends, and celebrate God's love. You'll be glad you did!

Tuesday, August 12<sup>th</sup>: 1:30 – 3:30 PM Play Mahjong and other games and crafts! **Come join us!**  
 Tuesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>: 1:30-3:30 pm Learn to play Mahjong  
 Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>: 1:30-3:30 pm Play Mahjong and other games/crafts

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For a list of sex offenders/predators in Highlands County visit: <http://www.sheriffalerts.com>. You can also find a link to this and other important information at the Highlands County Sheriff's website - <http://www.highlandssheriff.org>

If you wish to use Arbuckle Creek Park, you need to get the gate code for that park from Spring Lake Improvement District (863-655-1715) **NOT Spring Lake Property Association.**

**Spring Lake Property Owners Association office hours are:**  
**Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm**  
**Fridays from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm**

The 2025 hurricane season is upon us. It's time to pick up all the loose debris, branches, moss and other "junk" around your house and bundle it up to be disposed of before/if/when a storm hits!

**PLEASE NOTE – If you own rental property in Spring Lake or have an Air BNB/VRBO – IT IS IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO KNOW & UNDERSTAND, AS THE PROPERTY OWNER, YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO SEE THAT YOUR TENANTS OBEY THE DEED RESTRICTIONS. Any violations and/or legal actions will be assigned to the property owner.** An abbreviated copy of the deed restrictions is available on the SLPA website for you to print out give to your tenant(s). <https://springlakepropertyassociation.com>.

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### **HOA PERMIT INFORMATION**

If you plan to build a structure, including additions, alterations, new roof, shed, pool, fence, walls, patio, or paint your house, etc **YOU MUST** submit your plans to the Spring Lake Property Association for approval of a permit, per the deed restrictions for your Village. The permit must be obtained from this office **BEFORE** you apply for a County permit. There is no charge for the SLPA permit. **When your project is completed, you must call the office to have a final inspection.**

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**According to Highlands County Code** acceptable hours to mow are from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm. Please be considerate of your neighbors. Also, please **don't litter your grass clippings and leaves into the street or median.** Again, please be considerate of your neighbors.

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If you are permitted to have a shed, please remember the color of the shed must be the same as or very similar to the color of the main residence. You must have skirting around the bottom of the shed. If not, you will receive a violation letter. **REMEMBER TO NOTIFY THE OFFICE OF COMPLETION OF YOUR SHED SO YOU CAN SCHEDULE A FINAL INSPECTION.**

Residents are not permitted to place yard debris, such as branches, leaves, or other waste, nor are they permitted to park or drive any vehicles/golf carts, store any items on vacant or empty lots. The empty lots are owned by someone and unless you have permission to use the property, in writing and on file in the HOA office you are trespassing and/or littering.

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Please avoid throwing food on the ground. Leftover food can attract unwanted animals like raccoons, rodents, and insects, which can lead to bigger problems over time. It can also be harmful to pets, many human foods are unsafe for pets, and eating scraps from the ground could make them sick. Help keep the area clean and safe for everyone by disposing of food properly.

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Dumpsters are required to be at all new construction sites and are there to help keep our community free of unwanted construction debris. They are strictly for the use of the contractor and construction use **only!**



**NOT there for your personal debris!**



## **Spring Lake Wins Another Court Ruling**

Circuit Judge Heather Beato DENIED the Airport's request to file an amended complaint against Spring Lake in another effort by the Airport to avoid paying their fair share for using the District's stormwater system. Our local newspaper, the Highlands News Sun, consistently avoids any coverage or opinion about this case, so we will use e-mail blasts to keep our residents informed.

In February of this year Judge Peter Estrada issued a comprehensive 24-page decision ruling in favor of Spring Lake in a Summary Judgement against the Airport. For years the Airport has refused to provide any type of compensation to Spring Lake for the use of the stormwater system. Our residents are underwriting the Airport's share of the expenses to operate the system; and that is just wrong! A company that has an income approaching nine million dollars can't afford \$77,000 per year for the District to take stormwater from over 700 acres.

After losing the Summary Judgement, instead of doing the right and honorable action, the Airport filed a motion with the court asking to file an amended complaint. In other words, "we lost the summary judgement, but we want to file a different way to see if we can win."

BOTH THE SUMMARY JUDGEMENT AND THE DENIED AMENDMENT CAN BE VIEWED ON THE DISTRICT'S WEB SITE AT [www.springlakefl.com](http://www.springlakefl.com). THERE IS A TAB ON THE TOP OF THE HOME PAGE.

We hope that all residents will take the time to read how arrogant and entitled the Airport Board is when it comes to paying their fair share. The annual assessment would decrease for each resident if the Airport did the right thing. The District Board will be having an Executive session in the near future to outline our next steps.

We are urging the SLPA to voice their objection to the Airport's disregard for our community and support our District's right to assess the Airport.

Share your thoughts and opinions by replying to this blast, write Letters To The Editor, go on Facebook, NextDoor, X, Twitter, and let others know how corporate arrogance and entitlement are right in their back yard! It's time Spring Lake residents let the Airport know this is no longer a free lunch.





# 2025-2026 District School Calendar

DATES	INFORMATION
08/11/2025	First Day of School
08/27/2025	2-hour early release
09/01/2025	Holiday
09/19/2025	Progress Reports go Home
09/24/2025	2-hour early release
10/10/2025	End of First Nine Weeks
10/16/2025	2-hour early release
10/17/2025	Student Holiday, Teacher Work Day
October 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24, 2025	Report Cards go home
11/21/2025	Progress Reports go home
November 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, and 30, 2025	Holiday
12/19/2025	2-hour early release, End of Second Nine Weeks
December 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, and 31, 2025	Holiday
January 1 and 2, 2026	Holiday
01/05/2026	Student Holiday, Teacher Work Day (PD/TWD)
January 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, 2026	Report Cards go home
01/19/2026	Holiday
02/06/2026	Progress Reports go home
02/12/2026	2-hour early release
02/13/2026	Student Holiday, Teacher Work Day
03/13/2026	End of Third Nine Weeks
March 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20, 2026	Spring Break
March 30-April 2	Report Cards go home
04/03/2026	Holiday
04/29/2026	Progress Reports go home
05/22/2026	Students last day, 2-hour early release, End of Fourth Nine Weeks
05/25/2026	Holiday
May 26-27, 2026	Teacher Work Day



## **Highlands County Code Enforcement FAQs**

### **Three of the most common code violations:**

- 1. High grass and weeds:** Anything over 18 inches is a violation. The County does not enforce high grass and weeds on vacant properties.
- 2. Unlicensed or inoperable vehicles on residential properties:** Any partially dismantled, non-operating, wrecked, junked, discarded or unlicensed vehicle or vessel cannot be kept on any residential property.
- 3. Garbage disposal:** All garbage and trash must be put in the provided blue and green carts. Garbage containers must be kept in a secure and sanitary manner and must be placed 4 feet apart when placed curbside for pickup.

### **I just bought a property. Am I responsible for the code violations on that property?**

If you buy a property that has an open code violation, then you as the new property owner become responsible for correcting that code violation and bringing the property into compliance.

You should talk to your realtor and ask them to help you find out if there are any open code violations or liens on the property that need to be taken care of before you close on the property.

### **What happens if you have a code violation?**

If a **warning citation** is issued, the Code official will inform you of what codes are in violation, how to remedy it, and a date to comply by. Communication is key at this point; if you have questions concerning a warning citation, please contact the Code Enforcement office at [863-402-6641](tel:863-402-6641). We are here to educate you, and help you achieve compliance. No fine is issued at this level of a warning citation.

If the violations from the warning citation are not corrected upon reinspection after the date given to comply on the warning citation, then at that time, the official will issue fines for each code that is still in violation.

These fines are predetermined by the Highlands County Code of Ordinances. At this time, you will have 30 days to pay the fine and typically an additional 30 days to comply the violations. If action is not taken, or the fine goes unpaid, then the case will be reviewed by the Special Magistrate, where daily fines and interest can be assessed.

Code Enforcement can also issue a **Notice of Violation** and schedule the case to be heard at a public hearing. If you receive this type of notice, it is important to understand that in lieu of up-front fines, Code Enforcement will present the case, and recommend to the Special Magistrate that the County be allowed to abate the property. If abatement happens, the County, if granted an order, will abate the property of the nuisance, assess fees, fines, court fees, and administrative costs, which constitutes a lien that attaches not only to the property in violation, but can also attach to all real and personal property owned by the respondent. It is very important, if any notice is received and you are not clear on how to correct the violation, to please contact the Code Enforcement office. Communication is key to understanding all circumstances, and to work together to achieve compliance, and avoid fines and liens.

### **Can I put up signs in County rights-of-way?**

The only signs allowed on County rights-of-way are official regulatory signs. All others are considered trash and may be removed and disposed of by a code enforcement officer. Make sure any signs meet the requirements for your zoning district and are within the property boundary. To find out what your zoning requirements are for signs, call [863-402-6638](tel:863-402-6638).

### **What about inoperable vehicles?**

All motor vehicles must be up to date with registration tags and operational. To get those, visit <https://www.hctaxcollector.com> for more information.

When it comes to residential properties, a car cover over a non-operating, unregistered vehicle with a tarp will not meet the code of ordinance.

You can store these items in an enclosed structure, like a garage (three walls and a door), not a carport.

If you are zoned for commercial use, then other regulations may apply.

### **Is commercial vehicle parking in residentially zoned areas allowed?**

We receive a lot of complaints about semi-truck drivers bringing their commercial vehicles home, and parking either on their property or in the County right-of-way. It is not permitted to park/store semi-trucks or trailers in residential zoning districts. Commercial truck owners should find parking in a commercial zoning district that allows for the parking of these large commercial vehicles.

### **Do I need a permit if I get a shed?**

If you buy a shed or detached structure for your property, you must get a permit from the Highlands County Building division. To get a permit, you have three options:

- Go to 501 S. Commerce Ave. (first floor) in Sebring
- Call [863-402-6643](tel:863-402-6643)
- Email [plans@highlandsfl.gov](mailto:plans@highlandsfl.gov)

**It is important to understand that if you are purchasing a shed that a permit is required \*\*.** Some shed companies have stated that it is not required, which is false. Obtain a permit when placing a shed on your property. Also know, it is prohibited to use a shed as a structure for living purposes.

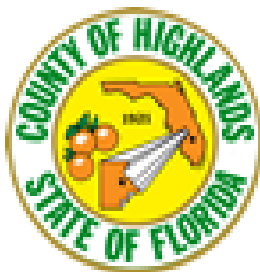
### **Do I have to have my address displayed at my property?**

**All buildings in the County must have its assigned address number properly displayed, whether mail is delivered to the building or not, in a contrasting color. The posting of the address number is the responsibility of both the owner and occupant of the building and must comply with Section 6 of the Highlands County Technical Standards Manual, as follows:**

- The address number must be a weather-resistant material permanently affixed to the front of the building and on the mailbox, post, wall or fence, so that it is visible and legible from the public or private street on which the building fronts. This is so first responders can locate the building.
- All residences must have four-inch numbers.
- All multi-family, commercial and office developments must have six-inch numbers.
- Each individual business within a complex, like a shopping mall, shopping center or industrial center, must have their unit number displayed on the front door or adjacent to the door and the unit number must be six inches.

For more information, contact the Engineering department at [863-402-6877](tel:863-402-6877).


**\*\*A permit from Spring Lake Property Association is also required – before you apply for the County permit.**







Phil Gentry from SLID accepts your Spring Lake Property Association's donation from SLPA President, Rick Logan To help with this year's Festival.

## Make Your Home Cozy for Fall in September

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
 31	1 Get fall-scented candles (apple, cinnamon, pear, or pumpkin).	2 Add fairy lights to your backyard, balcony, or a cozy spot in the house.	3 Make a cozy fall playlist with your favorite songs.	4 Get a fall-scented soap for the bathroom.	5 Stock up on hot tea, hot cocoa, and other fall drinks you like.	6 Declutter your closet for fall this weekend.
7 Get any fall clothes and shoes out of storage.	8 Add a fall wreath to the front door (DIY or store-bought).	9 Declutter the living room to add some seasonal decor.	10 Add some fall-inspired cushions to the couch.	11 Switch out the light bulbs for warm white light bulbs.	12 Organize all your fluffy socks for the season.	13 Add a fall-themed centerpiece to the dining table.
14 Frame & display photos from previous fall adventures.	15 Bring in a bouquet of seasonal flowers (dahlias, asters, or sunflowers).	16 Add a fruit bowl in the kitchen with seasonal fruit (apples, pears, etc.).	17 Switch out the hand towels for towels in fall colors (deep red, orange).	18 Add a fall-themed welcome doormat to the entrance.	19 Add a basket with cozy blankets to the living room.	20 Set up a cozy reading nook at home.
21 Organize all the board games for cozy nights in.	22 Add more seasonal decor to your home.	23 Get some soft slippers for cold mornings.	24 Switch out the lighter summer curtains for heavier fall/winter ones.	25 Add cozy rugs throughout the house where possible.	26 Declutter the entryway to make room for boots, coats, and umbrellas.	27 Place a basket by the entryway for scarves and other seasonal accessories.
28 Declutter other areas of the house you've been meaning to.	29 Compile fall recipes you want to try and find a spot for the recipe book in the kitchen.	30 Bake an apple pie or cobbler and enjoy your fall-scented home.				



*Join Us in Our Mission*

Remember ★ Honor ★ Teach



★ **December 13, 2025** ★

**National Wreaths Across America Day**



**Help Florida Medal of Honor Memorial  
honor local heroes!**

Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a  
veteran's grave this December at  
Florida Medal of Honor Memorial

Scan the QR code to make a donation online or  
visit [www.wreathscrossamerica.org/FL1340P](http://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/FL1340P)



**#KeepMovingForward**

Happy Labor Day to all the hard  
working teachers, factory workers,  
police, firefighters, truck  
drivers and other  
workers who  
have made this  
country great!



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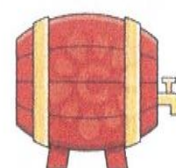


**Save the Date to Participate!**



# Spring Lake Fall Festival

and



**October 25, 2025**

**10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.**

**Spring Lake Boulevard & U.S. Highway 98**

**Pine Breeze Park Community Center**



**SpringLake**  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT



**Vendors, Food Trucks, Games, Music  
Contests, Exhibits and Farm Market**

Vendors, Contact Cindy - 863-655-1715 or Phil - 863-273-6820