

June / July 2025



# The Beachcomber



*Hernando Beach  
Property Owners  
Association  
Newsletter*

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy June to our Hernando Beach Community and Association (HBPOA). June is here, and June 1st marks the beginning of Hurricane season. A quote by Robert Breault, "...Name the season's first hurricane Zelda and fool Mother Nature into calling it a year". The idea is that all the names will have been exhausted at that point, since they appear in alphabetical order.

You are cordially invited to a special time during our June Membership Meeting on June 5th, 2025. Social hour starts at 6:30 Pm and the membership meeting begins at 7:00 Pm. This meeting will be the last meeting before we take our summer break for the months of July and August. Can you say family vacations? Short of any unforeseen events, we will meet again on September 4th at our regular time. Our June guest speaker will be a representative of an organization that partners with animal shelters, state wide. For a minimal donation they will assure pet owners that they will care for and will place your pet with a loving family in the absence of the owners ability to carry on. Come on out and learn how this program works. The request was made by a participating pet owner and as such your association attempts to serve our membership. Keep the suggestions coming.

Last month we welcomed Mr James Terry, Chief of Hernando County Code Enforcement and Mr Frank McCabe, District 2 Code Enforcement Officer. Of note their focus for our community will be to enforce the screening and opacity requirements for properties where storage of vehicles, boats and equipment is authorized. Code Enforcement will also be identifying properties where vehicles, boats and equipment are illegally stored.

Mr James Terry is not new to Hernando County. He previously served as

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Our next meeting  
will be held  
**Thursday,  
June 5, 2025  
at 7:00pm**

**Hernando Beach  
Yacht Club  
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Doors open at 6:30pm  
to socialize.**

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**The purpose of  
this organization is  
to unite the  
property owners of  
Hernando Beach.**



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the third in command of the Hernando County Sheriff's Department, the Director of Animal Services for Hernando County, and now as the Chief of Code Enforcement. Code Enforcement is a Quasi Judicial process that involves warnings, fines and ultimately a Special Master Hearing. A Special Master is usually a retired Judge who has delegated Administrative Authority.

Success is achieved when neighbors can meet to socialize and exchange ideas to make Hernando Beach the best place in Hernando County to live.

Lots happening in Hernando County Government these days. June starts the beginning of the formal process to create a county budget for 2026. The budget year starts on October 1st, 2026. Unlike the Federal Government, Counties must create and approve a balanced budget. This however could involved borrowing money in the form of municipal bonds. Principal sources of income are property taxes, fees, and bonds. The General Fund is the primary account to pay county expenses along with what is referred to as Enterprise Funds such as the Utility Department. Services like water and sewer are collected through fees, and in theory the account is supposed to be self sustaining.

Congratulations to all the new 2025 graduates! Did you know your association provides college scholarships to Hernando Beach residents. This year we are funding a student to the tune of \$2,000.00 towards their educational expenses. We also use your dues to pay for the utility expenses for the triangle and Hernando Beach gateway locations. Our Crime Watch group also is the recipient of a donation taken from your generous membership dues.

The mission of the HBPOA is to improve the quality of life in our community and to inform our membership of the in's and out's of what is happening in our community. We are not a political organization. Meet your neighbors and join us on June 5th at 6:30 Pm.

# The Beachcomber

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## HBPOA MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES- 5/1/2025

1. Meeting called to order at – 7 pm (Tom Crowley presiding)
2. Pledge of allegiance
3. March Meeting Minutes approved
4. Agenda approved
5. Guest speaker for April – James Terry (Hernando County Code Enforcement)
6. HB Business speaker for April – Chris Shaw (West Coast Stich Works)
7. Association Business
  - ☐ Hospitality Committee repot – Luau was a success (approximately 80 attendees)
  - ☐ Membership Committee report – 160 household memberships, 40 new household memberships
  - ☐ Scholarship Committee report – One 2K

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# Hernando Beach Property Owners Association

P. O. Box 3198, Spring Hill, FL 34611-3198

## 2025 Board of Directors

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## 2025 Committee Chairperson

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**Hospitality Committee -** Patty Roberts  
**Beachcomber -** Jen Brown  
**Bylaw Committee -** Barry Holland

## HERNANDO BEACH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION 2025 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & RENEWAL FORM

HBPOA meetings are held the 1st Thursday of every month.

Meetings are held at the HBYC - 4163 Shoal Line Blvd, the doors open at 6:30pm and meetings start at 7pm.

**Dues are \$35.00 annually and include the Beachcomber Newsletter mailed to you.**

**Annual dues are due by January 1st every year and are NOT prorated.**

Members who join in November or December are considered paid up as members for the following year.

☐ **New Member**      ☐ **Renewal from 2024**      ☐ **Prefer to receive the Beachcomber by email**

1) **Name** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Any person operating an LSV must have a valid driver license. LSVs may only be operated on streets where the posted speed limit is 35 MPH or less.**

**LSVs must be equipped with the following safety equipment:**



**To title and register an LSV**, bring the following documents to an FLHSMV or tax collector office, [flhsmv.gov/locations](http://flhsmv.gov/locations):

- Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin;
- Form HSMV 82040 (Application for Title) [flhsmv.gov/forms](http://flhsmv.gov/forms);
- Proof of Florida insurance, minimum \$10,000 PDL and \$10,000 PIP;
- Identification - driver license, ID card or passport; and
- Payment for applicable fees, [flhsmv.gov/fees](http://flhsmv.gov/fees);
  - Title fee
  - Initial registration fee, if applicable
  - Plate fee
  - Registration fee (varies by weight of vehicle)

For more information, visit [flhsmv.gov/low-speed-vehicles](http://flhsmv.gov/low-speed-vehicles)

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## Golf Carts

Golf carts are defined in section 320.01(22), Florida Statutes, as “a motor vehicle that is designed and manufactured for operation on a golf course for sporting or recreational purposes and that is not capable of exceeding speeds of 20 MPH.” **Golf carts may be operated on roadways that are designated for golf carts with a posted speed limit of 30 MPH or less.**

Beginning October 1, 2023, a person operating a golf cart on public roads or streets who is under 18 years of age must possess a valid learner’s driver license or valid driver license, and a person who is 18 years of age or older must possess a valid form of government-issued photographic identification.

## Converted Golf Carts

Prior to titling and registering a converted golf cart, the vehicle must be inspected and assigned a VIN at a Motorist Services Regional Office. **The converted golf cart must be street-legal before applying for title and registration.** *flhsmv.gov/locations*

Trail the converted golf cart to a Motorist Services Regional Office and present the following documents and fees for an inspection, VIN assignment, title and registration:

- Manufacturer’s Certificate of Origin or a bill of sale for the golf cart form HSMV 84490 (Statement of Builder) completed by customer and compliance examiner/inspector;
- Form HSMV 86064 (Affidavit for Golf Cart Modified to a Low Speed Vehicle);
- Original bill(s) of sale or receipt(s) for all parts used to convert the golf cart;
- Certified weight slip for the converted golf cart.
- Form HSMSV 82040 (Application for Title);
- Proof of Florida insurance (minimum \$10,000 PDL and \$10,000 PIP);
- Sales tax or sales tax exemption information for all parts;
- Identification - driver license, ID card or passport; and
- Applicable fees, *flhsmv.gov/fees*
  - Inspection fee
  - Initial registration fee, if applicable
  - Plate fee
  - Title fee
  - Registration fee (varies by weight of vehicle)

## All-Terrain Vehicles

Florida law, states that **all-terrain vehicles (ATV) may only be operated on unpaved roadways where the posted speed limit is less than 35 MPH and only during daylight hours.** Anyone under the age of 16 operating an ATV on public land must be under the supervision of an adult and must have proof of completion of a Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS) approved safety course. ATV operators and riders under the age of 16 must wear a USDOT approved safety helmet and eye protection. **ATVs are titled, but not registered**, and are not required to be insured with PIP and PDL coverage. (Sections 261.20, 316.2074 and 316.2123, Florida Statutes)

*flhsmv.gov/low-speed-vehicles*

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scholarship will be awarded

☐ Landscape Committee report- finalizing transfer of Triangle and Dolphin Entrance properties to County, cleanup on May 17 (8 am) for Dolphin Entrance property

☐ GAC Committee report - Golf Cart guidance document available

#### 8. New Business

☐ Face Book & Web Page – new Board email system to be implemented

☐ Crime Watch Donation - \$250 donation awarded at meeting

☐ Membership polled concerning possibility of non-members receiving copy of Beachcomber and member emails – no opposition

9. Next Board meeting – June 2

10. Next membership meeting – June 5

11. Meeting adjourned – 8:20 pm

Minutes provided by Denis Polyn

## WHO TO CALL...

|                                                |                                                                      |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CERT                                           | (352)754-4083                                                        |
| Code Enforcement                               | (352)754-4056                                                        |
| County Commissioner<br>Brian Hawkins           | (352)754-4146                                                        |
| HB Crime Watch                                 | (352)754-6830                                                        |
| Fire Dept. (Non-Emergency)                     | (352)515-0924                                                        |
| Hernando Beach Club                            | (352)596-5878                                                        |
| Hernando Beach Boatlift Keys<br>John Hutchison | <a href="mailto:jwhutch1962@outlook.com">jwhutch1962@outlook.com</a> |
| Parks & Recreation                             | (352)754-4027                                                        |
| Aquatic Services & Waterways                   | (352)754-4742                                                        |
| Public Works                                   | (352)754-4060                                                        |
| Sheriff's Dept. (Non-Emergency)                | (352)754-6830                                                        |
| Utilities Dept.                                | (352)754-4037                                                        |
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## HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

By: Judith Hughes

Hello Hernando Beach,

We are approaching our last meeting of HBPOA until September. They say time flies and it certainly has for this writer. Not to belabor the woes of Helene and Milton, but this writer has been displaced as have many of you. We have been modifying our living experience to accommodate perhaps a new residence, camping out in our own homes or perhaps living with friends or relatives, and living without our usual possessions. Tradesmen are very busy so their schedules are backed up and we wait with some impatience. This writer says, have some grace. Surely the folks working on our homes want to get us in as soon as possible. They too must wait for supplies, doors, insulation and those beautiful cabinets we have ordered. Perhaps the delays give us an opportunity to volunteer our services to those less fortunate than ourselves. Life is all perspective.

Our May meeting included West Florida Stitchworks as our business highlight. We are so lucky to have an upholstery company right on Shoal Line Boulevard. We want to express appreciation to everyone who supplies the goodies for our meetings. We have some great volunteers in our community. We have over 150 members in HBPOA, some of whom are not permanent residents. It is always nice to see some new faces each month and, of course, our regulars.. Now that summer is upon us, many of our members will be trekking to cooler weather. We wish you all a great summer and hope you will return with some great stories.

### June Notes:

June 1st - We all recognize this day - No explanation needed  
June 19th - Juneteenth - National Independence Day

June 1-30 - National Alzheimer's Awareness Month

Until September - Have a wonderful summer !



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## RESCUE ORGANIZATIONS

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| FWC Florida Wildlife - General                     | (863)648-3200        |
| Manatee hotline (FWC)                              | (888)404-3922        |
| Sawfish Sightings (FWC)                            | (941)255-7403        |
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| Wildlife Rescue HB Area                            | (813)598-5926        |
| Horseshoe Crab Sightings                           | (866)252-9326        |
| <b>Pets</b>                                        |                      |
| Hernando County Animal Services                    | (352)796-5062        |
| Humane Society of Nature Coast                     | (352)796-2711        |
| SPCA Hernando County                               | (352)596-7000        |
| Dogs – Report Illegal Dog Fighting                 | (800)780-8477        |

## HBPOA PHOTO CONTEST & 2026 CALENDAR

### Photo Contest:

HBPOA will host its annual Hernando Beach photo contest at our September 4th Membership Meeting. Please send your JPG or PNG high quality photos to [HBPOABeachcomber@gmail.com](mailto:HBPOABeachcomber@gmail.com) with the subject **"PHOTO CONTEST"**. The theme is "Hernando Beach Life". The deadline to be included is **August 15th** and is open to HBPOA members only.

### 2026 Calendar:

HBPOA will once again produce the "Hernando Beach Life" calendar. We are looking for your best HB life photos from 2024 & 2025. Please send your JPG or PNG high quality photos to [HBPOABeachcomber@gmail.com](mailto:HBPOABeachcomber@gmail.com) with the subject **"2026 CALENDAR"**. The deadline to be included is **July 15th**.

The boundaries for both are Osowaw Blvd to Jenkins Creek and includes the Preserve & the Gulf. To be included in both please use the subject **"CALENDAR & PHOTO CONTEST"**.

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We meet every month on the third Thursday for 1 hour, at 6:00 P.M. at the VFW, to discuss the prior month activities and any new business. At each meeting a deputy of the Sheriff's Depart-

ment provides a report of what has happened in the Hernando Beach area and provides insight into what we can do as members of the HBCW. We are all volunteers and are looking for new members. Anyone interested in joining HBCW would be welcomed.



HBPOA donates \$250.00 to Hernando Beach Crime Watch.






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| Air Temp. | Asphalt Temp. |
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5. Walk During Coolest Hours of Day

Temperature correlations represent worst-case variables: direct sun, no wind, very low humidity, and high radiant energy.



## NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT SKIP & MISSY HENK

By: Judith Hughes

Beachcomber New Member Highlights - June 2025

We are including two new members for June since we will be going on summer recess after our June Meeting.


Name: Skip & Missy Henk


Skip and Missy live in Hernando Beach South. They hail from Land 'O Lakes, Florida by way of Detroit, Michigan and Mobile Alabama. Fulfilling a dream of living on the water led Skip and Missy to Hernando Beach. Of course, a boat is a must and that dream was fulfilled also.

Skip is a retired president of Explorer International, a non profit organization while Missy spent her career teaching third to fifth grade special needs students. Skip and Missy have 8 children, 10 grand kids and are active in their church. Enjoying the outdoors is a passion. Along with their children, they have a mini goldendoodle, full size double doodle and a cockatiel.

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To start us off, let us introduce ourselves and how we came to be. Our owners are Tom and Tammy Dishman, who started this Hernando Beach **real estate journey**, fell in love with the area and wanted to settle here after their two children left home. They have flipped properties in the past in Ohio and Florida. Throughout this new adventure they have found a great, reliable group to help them along the way. This sample of quality tradesmen have helped our area after the hurricane damaged our community.

Burris **Remodeling**, is owned by **Velvet & Troy Burris**. Many Hernando Beach citizens know them by word of mouth since they are residents themselves. As a full-service remodeling firm, Burris Remodeling can handle the large and small remodeling needs of our community. Troy operates the day-to-day business, which gives him the opportunity to share his wicked sense of humor. He cares about the Hernando Beach community and is helping get our community back on its feet. He has experienced all different situations since he has owned the business for more than 10 years and has seen how the community has changed since the recent hurricanes. Troy's team of experienced craftsmen care about their customers and are driven to help their neighbors as they work through the process of bringing the neighborhood back to normality from the storms. Troy states, "Since the storm, we have worked extremely hard to meet the needs and wants of our homeowners, while ensuring to meet or exceed the permitting process."

In need of a roof? **Tyler Varn**, the co-owner of **Tripeak Roofing** loves Hernando Beach as a regular resident of our community. His company is built on the premise of communication and certification. To further elaborate, Tripeak is built on the foundation of communicating with people along the way when roofing their home, so everyone is well-informed. He explained that communication is extremely crucial, and they do their absolute best to help people understand the step-by-step process, especially in these difficult times after the storms. His second premise is certification. A main differentiator between Tripeak and some others in the industry is their teams' members receive manufacturer certification for installation and product. The company also enjoys supporting our community through their support of local sports teams throughout Hernando County.

Lastly is **Jason Roof**, owner of **Amped Electric**. As a local that has created a talented group of electricians who are licensed to resolve their clients' electrical challenges. His focus is on the comfortability and honesty towards his customer. "Going to people's homes is personal and having a trustworthy team is what matters to them the most", stated Jason. Jason moved here as a teenager and has raised his family here. He is excitingly breaking ground on his new office building in June with his team members to help him meet the community's demand!

As you look for quality tradesmen, we suggest the following steps: Get local references from your neighbors, check online reviews, ensure they are following permit processes and ask for their business licenses. Give us a call so we can help you as you search for quality service providers!

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So you already know that Skip and Missy are loving life in Hernando Beach South. Introduce yourself to them at our next HBPOA meeting.

Skip and Missy, we welcome you and hope you enjoy our monthly gatherings.

### **NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT CHRIS SHAW**

By: Judith Hughes

Beachcomber New Member Highlights - June 2025  
Member #2

Name: Chris Shaw

We welcomed Chris to HBPOA as our Business speaker in May. Chris owns West Florida Stitchworx and can be found at our newly remodeled Hernando Beach Motel location. Chris does custom upholstery.

Chris moved from Louisville, KY seven years ago. He has two daughters who still reside in Louisville. He discovered Hernando Beach and the Adventure

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**1st Saturdays  
10 am-2 pm  
Hernando Beach  
Front Porch Art Walk**

**3430-4036 SHOAL LINE BLVD  
HERNANDO BEACH, FL**

**JANUARY 4, 2025**

**FEBRUARY 1, 2025**

**MARCH 1, 2025**

**APRIL 5, 2025**

**MAY 3, 2025**

**JUNE 7, 2025**

**JULY 5, 2025 (TBD)**

**AUGUST 2, 2025 (TBD)**

**SEPTEMBER 6, 2025**

**OCTOBER 4, 2025**

**NOVEMBER 1, 2025**

**DECEMBER 6, 2025**

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## WHY RECYCLE ALUMINUM

By: Carol Crane

My father was a really smart mechanical engineer. He told me long ago, that recycling aluminum is the best product to recycle because it saves money and energy. Here is some information explaining the advantages of it, from [www.aluminum.org/recycling](http://www.aluminum.org/recycling) :

"Aluminum is one of the most recycled—and recyclable—materials in use today. A recycled aluminum beverage can, car door or window frame is often recycled directly back into itself. And this process can happen virtually infinitely.

High value and infinitely recyclable aluminum is a material tailor-made for a more circular and sustainable economy.

- Recycling is a critical part of the modern aluminum business. Making recycled aluminum **only takes around 5% of the energy** needed to make new aluminum — reducing carbon emissions and saving money for businesses and end consumers.
- As a result, **around 75% of all aluminum ever produced is still in use today**, as shown by

comprehensive [industry data](#).

- In many industrial markets like [automotive](#) and [building](#), recycling rates for aluminum exceed 90%.
- **Industry recycling efforts in the U.S. save more than 90 million barrels of oil equivalent each year.**

The U.S. collects more than twice the amount of aluminum today for recycling than it did in the 1980s. And while recycling rates in most industrial markets exceed 90%, we can do more — particularly when it comes to aluminum beverage cans.

**While aluminum cans are recycled at far higher rates than glass or plastic, these rates have fallen below 50% in recent years. That means more than \$800 million worth of aluminum ends up in a landfill — a tremendous loss to the economy and the environment.** [Learn more](#) about how the Aluminum Association is leading the way to increase aluminum recycling nationwide.

Aluminum production in the U.S. is increasingly a story of scrap recovery and recycling. While primary aluminum production remains a vital part of the American aluminum supply chain, more than 80% of U.S. production today is in making recycled (or secondary) aluminum. This compares to 20% to 30% recycled production in the 1980s. All told, the U.S. produces more recycled aluminum than any single country other than China.

Increasing aluminum recycling translates to less energy used and a lower carbon impact. In the aluminum beverage can market, for example, each percentage

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| Sun  | Mon                | Tue                   | Wed | Thu                                 | Fri | Sat                                        |
| 1    | 2                  | 3<br>Land Use Meeting | 4   | 5<br>HBPOA<br>Membership<br>Meeting | 6   | 7<br>Front Porch<br>Art Walk<br>10am - 2pm |
| 8    | 9<br>P & Z Hearing | 10<br>BOCC Meeting    | 11  | 12                                  | 13  | 14                                         |
| 15   | 16                 | 17                    | 18  | 19<br>HB Crime Watch<br>Meeting     | 20  | 21                                         |
| 22   | 23                 | 24<br>BOCC Meeting    | 25  | 26                                  | 27  | 28<br>Swap Meet                            |
| 29   | 30                 |                       |     |                                     |     |                                            |

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increase in the end-of-life recycling rate reduces the carbon intensity of aluminum beverage can production by 1.02 kg CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent per 1,000 cans. Increased recovery and recycling of aluminum is essential to continued industrywide decarbonization.

degradation in the process.

<https://www.aluminum.org/Recycling>

**SO, PLEASE RECYCLE ALUMINUM PRODUCTS!!**

A United Nations report notes:

- Metals are different from other materials in that they are inherently recyclable. This means that, in theory, they can be used over and over again, minimizing the need to mine and process virgin materials and thus saving substantial amount of energy and water while minimizing environmental

### PRESCRIPTION DRUG DROP BOXES

Sheriff Al Nienhuis is pleased to announce the installation of a permanent drug drop-off boxes located at these three locations:

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- Hernando County Detention Center located at 16425 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill (24 Hours)

Citizens are now able to properly dispose of unwanted, unused, and/or expired prescription and over the counter medications as well as veterinarian prescriptions.

The drop-off box is available in the main lobby of the Sheriff's Office during normal business hours. There is no cost to drop off unwanted/unused medications. Sheriff Al Nienhuis said, "While attending community events, I am often asked when the next drug disposal event will occur. Because of this constant need, I felt it important to provide our citizens with a year round location where they can dispose of unwanted medications, especially those that might be tempting to a drug abuser. I hope that every citizen makes an effort to partner with us by turning in their unneeded, potentially addictive and/or dangerous drugs in an effort to take them out of their houses and off the streets."

The new permanent drug drop-off box will provide an-

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other option for Hernando County residents to safely dispose of unwanted/unused medications. It will provide an increased awareness of prescription drug abuse and help keep potentially dangerous drugs out of the wrong hands.

The following items cannot be disposed of in the drop-off box and can be disposed of at the locations listed below:

- Needles, Sharps, and/or Syringes – Please take to the landfill at 14450 Landfill Road in Brooksville

































only.

- Any Liquids – Please take to the landfill at 14450 Landfill Road in Brooksville only.
- Inhalers - Please take to the landfill at 14450 Landfill Road in Brooksville only.

Please keep in mind that the drop off box located inside the lobby at the Sheriff's Office is small. If you have a very large quantity of unwanted medications, it may be best to go directly to a landfill near you, as we are unable to handle more than a few bottle at a time.

## Hernando Beach, Rocky Creek, Little Pine I. Bay, Florida, June 2025

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|      |     | AM    | ft  | PM     | ft  | AM    | ft   | PM    | ft   | Rise                                                                                | Set  | Moon                                                                                  |
| 1    | Sun | 7:01  | 2.5 | 5:54   | 2.9 | 1:37  | 0.2  | 1:30  | 1.4  | 6:32                                                                                | 8:28 |    |
| 2    | Mon | 7:42  | 2.5 | 7:03   | 2.6 | 2:23  | 0.5  | 2:34  | 1.3  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:28 |    |
| 3    | Tue | 8:27  | 2.6 | 8:24   | 2.4 | 3:12  | 0.8  | 3:47  | 1.2  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:29 |    |
| 4    | Wed | 9:13  | 2.7 | 9:51   | 2.4 | 4:05  | 1.0  | 5:02  | 1.0  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:29 |    |
| 5    | Thu | 9:56  | 2.8 | 11:05  | 2.4 | 4:58  | 1.2  | 6:06  | 0.7  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:30 |    |
| 6    | Fri | 10:36 | 3.0 |        |     | 5:47  | 1.3  | 7:01  | 0.4  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:30 |   |
| 7    | Sat | 12:08 | 2.4 | 11:13A | 3.1 | 6:34  | 1.4  | 7:49  | 0.2  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:30 |  |
| 8    | Sun | 1:03  | 2.5 | 11:49A | 3.2 | 7:18  | 1.5  | 8:31  | 0.0  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:31 |  |
| 9    | Mon | 1:51  | 2.6 | 12:24  | 3.3 | 8:01  | 1.6  | 9:11  | -0.1 | 6:31                                                                                | 8:31 |  |
| 10   | Tue | 2:34  | 2.6 | 12:58  | 3.3 | 8:42  | 1.6  | 9:48  | -0.2 | 6:31                                                                                | 8:32 |  |
| 11   | Wed | 3:15  | 2.6 | 1:34   | 3.4 | 9:22  | 1.7  | 10:24 | -0.2 | 6:31                                                                                | 8:32 |  |
| 12   | Thu | 3:55  | 2.6 | 2:11   | 3.4 | 10:02 | 1.7  | 11:01 | -0.2 | 6:31                                                                                | 8:33 |  |
| 13   | Fri | 4:34  | 2.6 | 2:51   | 3.4 | 10:42 | 1.6  | 11:39 | -0.2 | 6:31                                                                                | 8:33 |  |
| 14   | Sat | 5:11  | 2.6 | 3:35   | 3.4 | 11:25 | 1.6  |       |      | 6:31                                                                                | 8:33 |  |
| 15   | Sun | 5:46  | 2.6 | 4:25   | 3.3 | 12:19 | -0.1 | 12:12 | 1.5  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:34 |  |
| 16   | Mon | 6:22  | 2.7 | 5:23   | 3.1 | 1:01  | 0.0  | 1:05  | 1.4  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:34 |  |
| 17   | Tue | 6:59  | 2.7 | 6:27   | 3.0 | 1:45  | 0.2  | 2:02  | 1.2  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:34 |  |
| 18   | Wed | 7:40  | 2.8 | 7:41   | 2.8 | 2:32  | 0.4  | 3:08  | 1.0  | 6:31                                                                                | 8:34 |  |
| 19   | Thu | 8:25  | 3.0 | 9:08   | 2.6 | 3:24  | 0.7  | 4:20  | 0.7  | 6:32                                                                                | 8:35 |  |
| 20   | Fri | 9:14  | 3.1 | 10:35  | 2.6 | 4:22  | 1.0  | 5:31  | 0.4  | 6:32                                                                                | 8:35 |  |
| 21   | Sat | 10:02 | 3.3 | 11:54  | 2.6 | 5:20  | 1.3  | 6:37  | 0.0  | 6:32                                                                                | 8:35 |  |
| 22   | Sun | 10:50 | 3.5 |        |     | 6:17  | 1.5  | 7:38  | -0.3 | 6:32                                                                                | 8:35 |  |
| 23   | Mon | 1:06  | 2.7 | 11:39A | 3.6 | 7:12  | 1.6  | 8:35  | -0.5 | 6:32                                                                                | 8:36 |  |
| 24   | Tue | 2:07  | 2.7 | 12:28  | 3.7 | 8:07  | 1.7  | 9:28  | -0.6 | 6:33                                                                                | 8:36 |  |
| 25   | Wed | 2:59  | 2.7 | 1:19   | 3.7 | 9:00  | 1.7  | 10:17 | -0.6 | 6:33                                                                                | 8:36 |  |
| 26   | Thu | 3:47  | 2.7 | 2:09   | 3.7 | 9:50  | 1.6  | 11:03 | -0.4 | 6:33                                                                                | 8:36 |  |
| 27   | Fri | 4:30  | 2.6 | 3:00   | 3.6 | 10:39 | 1.5  | 11:46 | -0.2 | 6:34                                                                                | 8:36 |  |
| 28   | Sat | 5:08  | 2.6 | 3:52   | 3.4 | 11:29 | 1.4  |       |      | 6:34                                                                                | 8:36 |  |
| 29   | Sun | 5:42  | 2.7 | 4:46   | 3.2 | 12:27 | 0.1  | 12:20 | 1.3  | 6:34                                                                                | 8:36 |  |
| 30   | Mon | 6:13  | 2.7 | 5:41   | 2.9 | 1:04  | 0.3  | 1:12  | 1.2  | 6:35                                                                                | 8:36 |  |



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