

GROUNDS COMMITTEE

- ✓ **Common Grounds Tree Removal** – Trees in the Common Areas and natural park areas will only be removed if they are diseased and beyond survival or in danger of falling over or creating a hazard to our community or if they are unduly crowding other desirable plants. Any trees or plants removed from the Common Areas or natural park areas will be replaced with some other plant or tree deemed necessary by the Grounds Committee. A master plan of all the parks is being established and the Grounds Committee will follow this plan as designated.
- ✓ **Common Grounds Tree Trimming** – Trees in all the Common Areas will be professionally pruned by our landscaping contractor throughout the year. Professional guidelines will be followed that designate the proper way to trim all our trees. Our natural park area will be pruned by our volunteers who will follow professional guidelines to maintain the health and safety of all our trees.
- ✓ **Common Grounds Tree Request** – An owner may request the Grounds Committee look at any tree they consider in poor health or creating a possible hazard to the community. Please fill out the Grounds Committee Request form and return it to the HOA Office.
- ✓ **Appeal Process** – The decision of the Grounds Committee will be submitted to the Homeowner within 30 days of the request. A Homeowner aggrieved by the Grounds Committee decision may appeal that decision to the Board of Directors by making a written request for Board review within 10 days of receipt. All parties involved will be advised, in writing, of the hearing and will be invited to attend such hearing.

Every request must be placed on The Springs Grounds Request Form. These forms are available on the website or from the HOA office. The form should be sent to or placed in the mailbox at The Springs HOA Office, located at the exit gate. Each request should be marked--ATTN: Grounds Committee.