

OAKWOOD GLEN NEWSLETTER



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Special points of interest:

- July 4th Parade and picnic
- Oakwood Glen Calendar
- Security for OWGs
- Important numbers
- Boats & Trailers and commercial vehicles
- Definition of Residential Subdivision

JULY 4TH!!!!

PARADE AND PICNIC

It's that time of the year again, time to decorate your bikes in red, white and blue to join in the parade from the back park, at 17902 Hawk Haven, starting at 10 AM on July 4th and ride through the subdivision to the front park, at 7902 Oakwood Glen Blvd, for food, fun and swimming. There will be a DJ, the fire department and the Sheriff's Office with their assets. There will be a moon walk and fun for all. The picnic lasts until 3 PM but the pool will continue to be open until 8 PM.

Come and celebrate America's Birthday with your friends and neighbors from Oakwood Glen.

Back Park 10 AM to Front Park—Parade

Front Park 11 AM to 3 PM—Picnic, DJ, Food, Swimming, please bring your lawn chairs and food and come and enjoy!!!!

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Architectural Control Committee Information

I would like to take this space to provide some basic information about the Architectural Control Committee function and its general purpose.

First, this is a residential subdivision and the Deed Restrictions and the ACC guidelines are designed to keep the neighborhood look consistent with the look that this community started with. Improvements to homes should be

looked at as extension of the existing architecture of the home. The Deed Restrictions provide limits to what can be placed in the front yard, especially in front of the building set back line.

Second, any improvements to the front yard or to the front of the house will be looked at very carefully to make sure that they do not violate the restrictions and that the improvements are in keeping with the architecture of the home.

Third, there is always the availability to present your request to the full board for review if you believe that the ACC committee was wrong in their decision.

Please know that these decisions are not easy to make but the idea is to maintain the look of this community and to maintain the value of all of our homes.

As you drive around the neighborhood you will see a lot of different homes, some

have added improvements to their back yards for entertaining. Few, if any, have added an entertaining area in the front yard.

Your help and cooperation is appreciated. Please remember that the ACC committee is made up of your neighbors and we try very hard to be fair and equitable in making these decisions.

Thank you.
John L. Hill
President

RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

Oakwood Glen Subdivision is defined as a "Residential Subdivision" this means that all people who live in the house must be related by blood or marriage. Houses in Oakwood Glen must not be rented to groups of young men or women who are not related by blood or marriage. Investors please remember that you have a responsibility to abide by the Deed Restrictions even when renting the house. Please help us keep this community a family community. Thanks, John L. Hill, President

I was provided a copy of a book, entitled "Elements of a Crime", A Law Officers Guide, published by the Council for Law Education and Research, P.O. Box 16-1237, Austin, Texas 78716. This book turned out to be very enlightening in allowing me to see what an officer needs to include in their report whenever they have a call to a problem. There are 17 questions under WHO? There are 9 questions under WHEN? There are 13 questions under WHAT? There are 16 questions under WHERE? There are 10 questions under WHY? There are 12 questions under HOW? There are 4 questions under WITH WHAT? There are 6 questions under WITH WHOM? There are 8 questions under HOW MUCH?

From all of this I am beginning to have a better understanding of what goes in to a report on an event or call that requires a report. Every time that the Deputy has to fill out a report time is necessary to allow that Deputy to complete that report properly. Unless the report is filled out correctly there may be gaps in the record of what is occurring in our community.

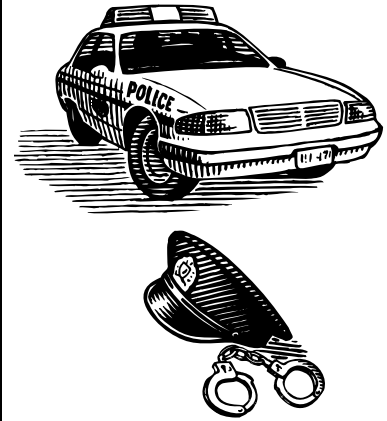
Our Deputy spends the majority of his time patrolling however there are times when completing a report is necessary in order to move forward with the incident. Some people have made comments about seeing our Deputy at the EMS building, let me say that the EMS building owners let our deputy use their restroom when needed. So please, let's give the benefit of the doubt to the deputy. Believe me when I tell you that he is making every effort to be visible all over the community. If you see areas that need additional patrols please let me know and I will forward the report to the Sheriff's Office to adjust the patrols to meet the needs of this community. Our contract with the Sheriff's office is important to the Sheriff and they want to be responsive to our needs, so please let's keep them apprised of needs and let's look for the good that they do. It is a thankless job and perhaps we need to give more appreciation for the service that they provide and be less critical.

Thanks,

John L. Hill

Editor

President, Oakwood Glen Association



NOTE: A resident recently informed me that someone had tampered with their A/C unit in order to huff or sniff the Freon to get high. So be aware and try to secure the area around you're A/C unit if it is not under fence already. Adults please advise any kids you know of the dangers associated with this kind of thing. Some teenagers have died or suffered brain damage as a result of this practice. THANKS!!!!

OAKWOOD GLEN CALENDAR

May 19, 2009 open board meeting or anyone who has a problem or a suggestion that they would like brought before the board. 17902 Hawk Haven—Back Park

July Board Meeting—July 21st, Back Park at 17902 Hawk Haven 7 PM

May 9 & 16 Pool Registration—Back Park Clubhouse— 12 to 6 PM; May 23 Pool Registration— Front Park parking lot—10 to 12

OAKWOOD GLEN BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month, homeowners are welcomed and will be provided time for input on issues that the board is discussing and deciding. If a homeowner brings up something that the board needs more information on the answer may have to be put off till the next meeting in order to gather the information needed to decide the issue or question. However, this board is always interested in what issues are important to the members so please come and enjoy some food and coffee and cold drinks with your neighbors on the board and let's see if we can't make OWG a community that all of us can be proud to call home. Thanks for you time and for caring about OWG.

John L. Hill

President

Oakwood Glen Association

DIRECTORS NEEDED!!!

Every three years there are three positions open on the board. These positions are elected by the community at the Annual Members' meeting by vote and proxies. This year we also have 3 positions up for election. Please take the time to make a commitment to your community and serve on the board. Your input and ideas are needed!! Step up and bring your energy to the community, help the board provide good decisions for our community. You will get to spend time doing volunteer work, get very little thanks, get criticized repeatedly and personally and yet I would have to say that my time on the board has been very rewarding. I have met a great number of wonderful people in this community and I know that we have great people who live here. Contact any of the Directors, Management Company or come to a board meeting and submit your name to run for the board.

Thanks to all,

John L. Hill

Energy Saving Ideas and suggestions—to help with the summer heat this year!!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The following committees need volunteers. If you can help, call John Hill at 281-370-7368 or cell 281-389-1866.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

ACTIVITIES

ACORN

DEED RESTRICTIONS

- **Light bulbs** - Replace traditional incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs. You can run four compact fluorescent light bulbs for the same cost as running just one incandescent bulb.
- **Window treatments** - Install storm or thermal windows and doors or double-paned glass. A less expensive alternative is plastic sheeting, which can be temporarily fastened over doors and windows to prevent drafts and retain cool air.
- **Air leaks** - Check for air leaks in air ducts, windows, plumbing utilities, fireplace flues, attic entrances and recessed light fixtures.
- **Weatherstrip/caulk air leaks and insulate** - Sealing up air leaks with caulking and weather stripping and installing adequate insulation in walls and the attic are some of the most cost effective savings measures you can do in your home.
- **Energy labels** – Look for ENERGY STAR models when purchasing new appliances and electronics. These devices use less energy and will save you money.
- **Energy-saver switch** - Use the energy-saver switch on your appliances.
- **Temperature settings** - Set thermostats at about 78 degrees during the summer. Turn up or down thermostats automatically without sacrificing comfort by installing a programmable thermostat. Use ceiling fans in the "down" mode at the highest speed to push cooler air back down into the room.
- **Water heater** - Set water heater temperatures at 120 degrees. A family of four, each showering for five minutes a day, uses 700 gallons of water each week. By lowering the thermostat on the water heater to 120 degrees, families can cut water heating bills without sacrificing comfort.
- **Water pipes** - Insulate hot water pipes.
- **AC filter** - Clean or replace your AC filter monthly to help your AC run more efficiently.
- **Trees** - If you're going to plant a tree, consider placing deciduous trees on the south and west sides of your house. They grow leaves in summer that help shade your home and shed leaves in the winter, allowing sunlight to warm your house.

OAKWOOD GLEN ACORN INSPIRATION AND INFORMATION

OAKWOOD GLEN ASSOCIATION

POOL REGISTRATION FORM

FAMILY:

Last Name: _____ Father's Name _____

Mother's Name _____ Home Address _____

Home Phone: _____ Father's Work Phone _____

Mother's Work Phone _____ Emergency Phone: _____

In Case of Emergency Notify _____

Pool Key # (4 digits) _____

Names and ages of all persons in you home requiring pool passes:

	Name	Age
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____
6.	_____	_____
7.	_____	_____
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Pool Registrations:

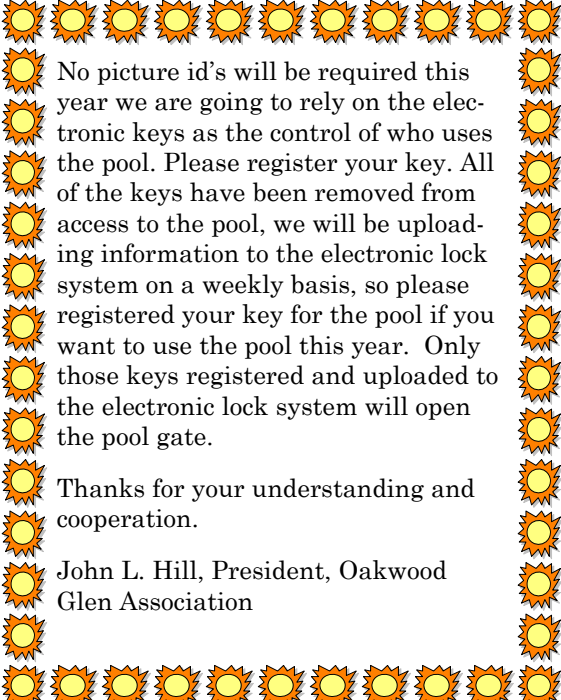
May 9th, 12 to 6 PM Back Park Clubhouse

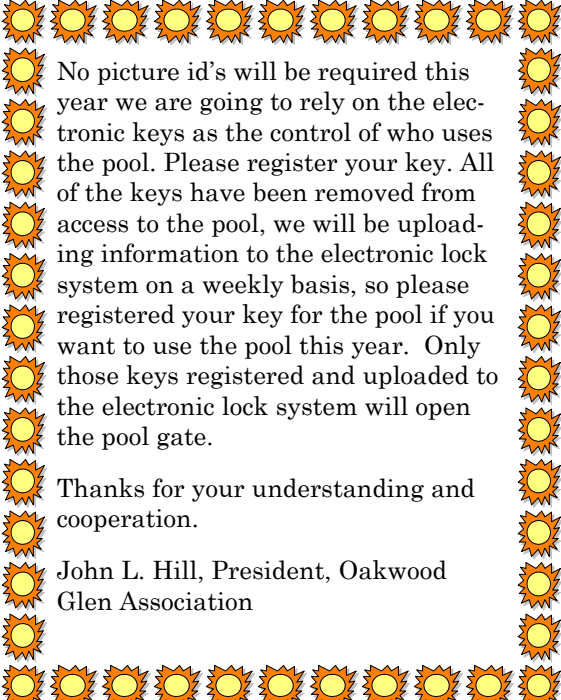
May 16th, 12 to 6 Back Park Clubhouse

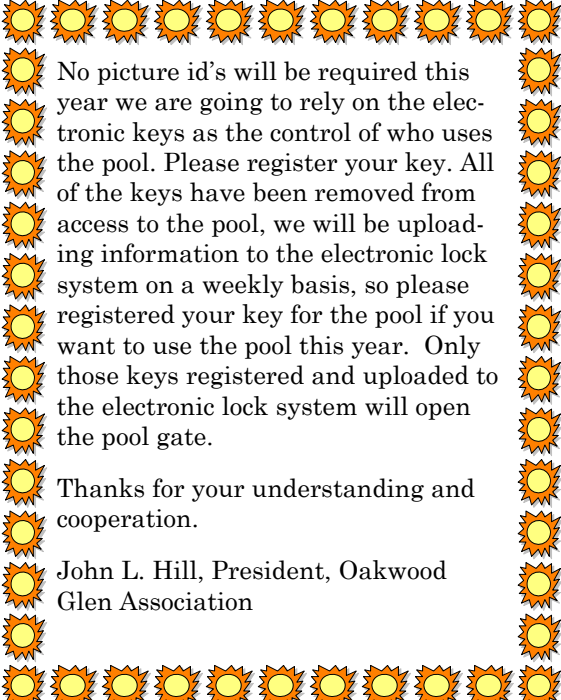
May 23rd, 10 to 12 Front Park Parking Lot

Return this form to either a pool registration location or to

Principal Management Group of Houston
Oakwood Glen Association
C/O Principal Management Group of Houston
11000 Corporate Centre Dr
Suite 150
Houston, Texas 77041
713-329-7100

 No picture id's will be required this year we are going to rely on the electronic keys as the control of who uses the pool. Please register your key. All of the keys have been removed from access to the pool, we will be uploading information to the electronic lock system on a weekly basis, so please registered your key for the pool if you want to use the pool this year. Only those keys registered and uploaded to the electronic lock system will open the pool gate.

 Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

 John L. Hill, President, Oakwood Glen Association

Need a baby-sitter so you can plan a romantic night out? Need someone to feed "Fluffy" for the weekend? More leaves than you can handle? These Oakwood Glen residents can help fill those needs. If you don't see your name and want to be listed please email the Editor at taxsales@swbell.net or mail the information to Oakwood Glen Newsletter, 17726 Mellow Ridge, Spring, Texas 77379. NOTE: I have been informed that some of these numbers may be out of date, I will be calling each number to verify the name and ages, however the corrected numbers will be in the July issue. Thanks, J LH Editor

BABYSITTING**PET SITTING****LAWN MOWING & YARDWORK**

Do you have kids who want some summer work? Or need babysitting jobs? Do you have kids who want to pet sit for their neighbors?

If so please forward their names and phone numbers to John L. Hill, Editor of Oakwood Glen Acorn either by email at taxsales@swbell.net or by mail to 17726 Mellow Ridge, Spring, Texas 77379.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS/DIRECTORS			<u>IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS</u>	
John L. Hill, Director/President	Email for directors:		Animal Control	281-999-3191
Greg Gillis, Director	Oakwood Glen Association	Web site: oakwoodglen.net	Back Park Clubhouse Rental	281-257-6362
Patty Inzana, Director/Secretary	C/O Principal Management Company	1. Have your assessment invoice or coupon available	Barbara Bush Library	281-286-4610
Ken Foster, Director /Security	Rachel Richmond , Ph: 7413-329-7100 or email r.richmond@pmghouston.com	2. Click on Sign up for new account in the login area on the right of the homepage	Sheriff's Office non-emergency number	281-376-3472
Jim Johnson, Director/ Vice-President	Address 11000 Corporate Centre Dr., Houston, Texas	3. Register as a first time user and create your own user ID and password	Comm. Jerry Eversole	www.cp4.hctx.net
Paulie Nichols, Director	Editor ACORN.. John L. Hill.. 281-370-7368; 17726 Mellow Ridge; email: taxsales@swbell.net		Field Reservation (Back Park)	713-329-7100
Bill Ritchey, Director				
Barbara Yates, Director/Treas.				
Al Zolli, Director				
				MUD Building Co-ordinator 281-251-5822
				Republic Trash Service
				Hayes Utility (Water/Sewer) 281-353-9756
				Poison Control 1-800-222-1222
				Fire & Ambulance 911
				Outages-Reliant-713-207-2222

New Pool Management Company **DS Recreational Services, Inc.**

Believe it or not, summer is quickly approaching, and soon you'll be lounging around the pool. The management team of DS Recreational Services, Inc. is delighted to be coming to Oakwood Glen. Our goal every summer is best defined by our mission statement: SAFETY IS OUR #1 PRIORITY!!! We are also committed to treating our customers with a pleasant and courteous service, as they enjoy their clean swimming environment. We feel communication is the key. Please don't hesitate to contact our office at anytime concerning our service (281-443-7665).

To help assure a safe and fun summer for everyone, DS Recreational Services, Inc. would like to remind you of a few facility and safety reminders:

1. No running or rough play (throwing each other, pushing, dunking, getting on another's shoulders, splash fights, dog fights.)
2. No glass containers or alcoholic beverages allowed in the pool area.
3. No diving in shallow end of pool (6 feet or less)
4. No swimming in designated diving areas of pool.
5. Only small floating items, upon pool manager's discretion, will be allowed in the pool.
6. Swimmers in the water have the right of way. Those entering the water from diving boards, the deck or from water slides must make certain no one is in front of them.
7. No pets are permitted on pool premises.
8. Proper swimming attire required. Cut-offs or colored T-shirts are not allowed.
9. The use of cocoa butter, baby oil, and other heavy suntan oils causes filter damage. It is advised that these lotions not be permitted in the pool.
10. Members who have quests must sign them in and be responsible for them at all times. If the member leaves so does the quest.
11. Stay off the ropes.
12. All children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by an adult at least 18 years of age and stay within an arms reach. Any child between the ages of ten (10) and twelve (12) years of age may enter the pool area unaccompanied by an adult if said child has passed the swim test. (Swim test: Swim the entire length of the pool without stopping & tread water in the deep end for 2 minutes using arms and legs.)
13. No swimming after designated swimming hours, unless special arrangements have been made through the Contractor or the Board of Directors. Anyone caught swimming after hours will be suspended for the remainder of the summer and have trespassing charges filed against him or her.
14. No one will be admitted without the proper I.D. (when applicable)
15. Obey lifeguards and other supervisory personnel. Talking with lifeguards on duty is prohibited.
16. Chewing gum while swimming is prohibited.
17. Swimming with an open sore or a communicable disease is prohibited.
18. Jumping off backwards or anyway that throws the head back towards the side of the pool is prohibited. Flips from the side of the pool are not allowed.

19. Be alert to anyone in trouble. Call for help immediately. Do not move or remove injured people from the water who complain of back or neck injuries.
20. Lifeguards are employed to ensure the safety of the swimmers. They have authority to remove from the pool anyone disobeying the rules or endangering the safety of himself or another person. The lifeguard has the authority to suspend offender for one day. Additional violations will be turned over to the pool committee. Repeat violations may result in revocation of swimming privileges for the remainder of the summer.
21. ONE LONG WHISTLE BLAST MEANS TO CLEAR THE POOL!
22. LIFEGUARDS HAVE THE ULTIMATE AUTHORITY!

2009 POOL HOURS,

NEW POOL MANAGEMENT COMPANY

DS RECREATIONAL SERVICE, INC. ,

2510 FARRELL ROAD, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77073

281-443-7665

MAY 2009	May 23, 24 & 25 Sat. Sun. & Mon. 12 PM TO 8 PM		
	May 30 & 31, Sat. & Sun.		
JUNE 2009	June 5, 6 & 7, Fri., Sat. & Sun. 12 PM TO 8 PM		
	June 11, 12, 13 & 14 Thurs., Fri., Sat. & Sun 12 to 8 PM		
	June 18, 19, 20 & 21 Thurs., Fri., Sat. & Sun. 12 to 8 PM		
	June 25, 26 27 & 28 Thurs, Fri., Sat. & Sun. 12 to 8 PM		
JULY 2009	July 2, 3, 4 & 5 Thurs., Fri., Sat., & Sun. 12 to 8 PM		
	July 9, 10, 11 & 12, Thurs., Fri., Sat. & Sun 12 to 8 PM		
	July 16, 17, 18 & 19, Thurs., Fri., Sat. & Sun. 12 to 8 PM		
	July 23, 24, 25 & 26, Thurs., Fri., Sat. & Sun 12 to 8 PM		
	July 30 & 31	Thurs., Fri	12 to 8 PM
AUGUST 2009	Aug. 1 & 2	Sat & Sun	12 to 8 PM
	Aug. 6, 7, 8 & 9, Thurs., Fri., Sat & Sun		12 to 8 PM
	Aug. 13, 14, 15 & 16, Thurs. Fri., Sat. & Sun. 12 to 8 PM		
	Aug. 20, 21, 22 & 23, Thurs., Fri., Sat. & Sun. 12 to 8 PM		
SEPT. 2009	Aug 29 & 30, Thurs., Fri. Sat. & Sun		12 to 8 PM
	Sept. 5, 6 & 7 Sat., Sun. & Mon. 12 to 8 PM		

IN THE DARK?

If there is a street light out near your home, please report it to our local energy distribution company: **CENTER POINT ENERGY** – Customer Service (713) 207-2222. Please have the requested info ready: the nearest Street Address of where the light is out. The number listed on the light pole (it is a vertical six digit number clearly visible approx. six foot up the pole.) When calling you will be advised it will take about a week

MAY RECIPE CORNER

CHOCOLATE-PEANUT BUTTER MOUSSE CAKE

1(18.25-oz.) pkg.devil's food cake mix-without pudding

2 ½ cups whipping cream-divided

1 (10-oz.) pkg. Peanut Butter morsels

2 tsp. vanilla

1 Tbsp. Butter or margarine

2 /3 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

Garnish: chopped roasted peanuts

Prepare cake mix according to package directions. Pour into 2 lightly greased +floured 8 inch round cake pans. Bake per box directions. Cool-remove from pans.

Combine 2 /3 whipping cream and peanut butter morsels in small saucepan. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until morsels melt and mixture is smooth; Stir in vanilla and cool 25 minutes.

Beat 1+1 /3 cup whipping cream at high until soft peaks form. Stir 1 /3 whipped cream into peanut butter mixture. Fold into remaining whipped cream. Spread between cake layers; cover and chill.

Bring remaining 1 /2 cup whipping cream and 1Tbsp. Butter to a boil in small pan. Add chocolate chips; remove from heat. Stir until they melt and mixture is smooth.

Pour glaze on cake; garnish if desired with chopped peanuts. Serve warm or chill and serve at room temperature. –Staff Reporter-

MAY GARDENING

Time to pull cool weather annuals like snap dragons and pansies and prepare your garden beds for summer annuals.

Bed Preparation-Raised Beds are best for annuals. **Remove** all weeds and cool weather plantings. **Turn** soil to a depth of at least 8 inches. **Spread** a 4-inch layer of compost, aged manure or peat moss over the bed. **Blend** the organic material thoroughly into the soil. **Rake** smooth and plant. After planting, **apply** a layer of mulch around and between transplants. Leave no soil bare. **Plant** in staggered rows-this will be more visually appealing than simple straight lines. If transplant is root bound, loosen gently before planting. Don't plant too deep or close together. **Water** in with root stimulant or add one-teaspoon slow release fertilizer to the hole of each transplant. Good results can be achieved with water soluble fertilizers applied at planting and with moderation throughout the summer. -From Month-By-Month Gardening in Texas by Dale Groom & Dan Gill

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Oakwood Glen Association
C/O Principal Management Group of
Houston
11000 Corporate Centre, #150
Houston, Texas 77041

Restrictions filed under Harris County Clerk's File No. E624197; Article VII, Section 15.; states "No trucks, trailers, boats, or any vehicle other than passenger cars will be permitted to park on streets on drives in front of residence for longer than a forty-eight (48) hour period."

Restrictions filed under Harris County Clerk's File No. F395956; Article VIII, Section 7, part (d) states "No truck, bus, motor home, boat or trailer shall be left parked in or on the street adjacent to any lot, or in the driveway or on any other portion or any such Lot exposed to public view (except for construction or repair equipment, only while a house or houses are being built or repaired in the immediate vicinity), unless such vehicle is in day-to-day use off the premises and such parking is only temporary, from day-to-day; provided however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prohibit the storage of an unused vehicle in an enclosed garage on an Lot."

COMMERCIAL VEHICLES ARE BANNED FROM OVERNIGHT PARKING, FROM 10 PM UNTIL 6AM, PURSUANT TO TEX. TRANSP.CODE ANN. 522.003 (VERNON 1997), SAME CONTAINS A DEFINITION OF A COMMERCIAL VEHICLE. THIS INCLUDES SEMI'S AND INCLUDES OAKWOOD GLEN BOULEVARD ALL THE WAY TO STUEBNER AIRLINE. IF YOU SEE SEMI'S PARKED ALONG THAT STRETCH OF OAKWOOD GLEN BOULEVARD EITHER AFTER 10 PM OR PARKED FACING THE WRONG DIRECTION AND CAUSE A TRAFFIC PROBLEM PLEASE CALL THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AT 713-261-7000

Thanks, John

OAKWOOD GLEN WEBSITE

Oakwoodglen.net

You can pay online your dues as well as get general information about your community.