

# Oakcrest II Homeowner's Association HOA April '09

## Oakcrest Resident Concerns

The HOA board meeting was well attended with residents who voiced concerns. The board is taking action and looking into these concerns.

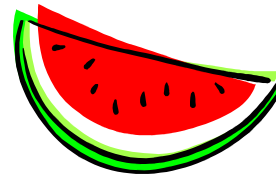
The concerns were:

1. Look into city regulation plans for prohibiting the feeding of deer in the neighborhood.
2. Vehicles are being parked on the front and side yards of homes, which is against city ordinance. (see article below)
3. Is there a city ordinance for nuisance dogs and excessive barking?
4. Could the board request more police

patrols through our neighborhood? There is a concern of an increase in vandalism, especially at the Country Club.

A representative from the board has met our city council representative, Bill Sattler to discuss these issues with him. Here are the updates from this meeting and subsequent information from the City Manager.

1. There is no current ordinance to prohibit feeding of deer, however Austin and Lakeway have initiated these ordinances.
2. There is an ordinance in place regarding dogs. The ordinance can be



### SPRING FLING AT GCC MAY 16—3PM

found at <http://www.municode.com/resources/gateway.asp?pid=13578&sid=43>

3. The Georgetown police regularly patrol our neighborhood, however if you have any questions or concerns including vandalism incidents and patrols in your neighborhood, please contact Captain Roland Waits at 930-3501.

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## Reminders:

Contact the Homeowners Association Email for any questions/concerns:

[oakcresthoa@yahoo.com](mailto:oakcresthoa@yahoo.com)

- ♦ We are contacting residents currently for the Neighborhood directory.
- ♦ **Next HOA Meetings all at GCC: May 19, Aug 18, and Oct 20. 7:30pm**

## City of Georgetown Parking Regulations

The City of Georgetown regulations state that parking of vehicles should be on approved surfaces only. A vehicle "shall mean a car, sport utility vehicle, recreational vehicle, truck, motorcycle, trailer, boat or any other device used for transporting passengers, goods or apparatus...".

The vehicle may only be parked on a driveway, or an approved surface, which would be: "a concrete surface, hot-mix surface, asphalt surface, or two parallel concrete strips each measuring approximately 18" in width and between 12' to 18' in length."  
**"Violations of this Sec-**

**tion shall be punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00 dollars per day for each day that the violation occurs."** quotes from City of Georgetown parking ordinance.

## Spring Fling at GCC and Garage Sale planned

The Spring Fling get-together for the neighborhood is planned for May 16th, beginning at 3pm at the Georgetown Country Club Pool. Food will be provided at 5pm, Swimming, Hot Dogs, Burgers and iced tea will be provided by the HOA, water will be available and any other drinks are available from GCC. We will, as is the HOA picnic tradition, play Bingo and will



**SPRING FLING  
MAY 16TH**

have prize money! Come and join in the fun and meet your neighbors!

### **RSVP BY MAY 12TH**

please to Oakcresthoa email or call Mark Carlson at 869-6923

### The **GARAGE SALE IS**

**BACK!** Start gathering all your items to sell for May 2nd from 8-3 pm. A map will be provided

at both entrances to the neighborhood by the HOA and your address can be included for no cost to you. Send your address along with a brief 3 item description of what you are selling to the HOA email address or contact Ray Young at 863-4128. If you'd like to help hand out maps and direct the traffic, contact Ray also. We will be advertising in the Newspaper, cable, and Craigslist. Happy Selling!!

## Meet your Neighbors

New with this issue is a new section that will highlight some of our neighbors and their interests and talents.

My name is Lori Thompson. My husband, David, has lived in the neighborhood for about 5 years. I moved in when we got married, 3 1/2 years ago. I work from my home as a Professional Organizer.

**Meet Lori Thomson—  
Professional Organizer**

I specialize in home, office, and storage organization, setting up systems that work for you, to simplify your life. David is with

DTC Air Conditioning. You may have seen his truck in front of our house! We love the quiet and the wildlife here. Lori contributed the article below.

Send an email to Oakcrest-hoa@yahoo.com to be the next neighbor for this article.

## 8 Simple Steps to Less Clutter and Cleaning

1. No shoes in the house by anyone ever means less dirt to vacuum or scrub off the floor. •Provide slippers at the door.
2. Food is only eaten by children at the kitchen table (no living room, no bedrooms) which means crumbs and dishes are limited to one space. •Parents can set an example.
3. Keep wastebaskets in every room lined with grocery bags. Garbage is contained and clean up is a snap. •With no food in the room, ants and other unwelcome pests won't be a problem, either
4. Less knickknacks and stuff lying around means less to dust. •Or keep them limited

- to one or two spaces, or in a curio cabinet.
5. Do a 10 minute tidy-up each night before bed to return out of place items back to their designated spaces. •Help this become a habit for all family members.
6. Never leave a room empty handed. There's always *something* to return to its designated space
7. I have my kids do regular walk-abouts. •This means they look for their own items that are out of place. (see #6)

8. Assign chores to children and create a chore chart and reward system or allowance. •Even very young children can help with simple tasks.

For help setting up systems and getting a handle on all your household clutter, contact

Lori Thompson with Quality Life Solutions: Organizing Services.

lori@quality-life-solutions.net or call 863-6558.



*Get organized and sell your extra at the Garage Sale— May 2nd*

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# Homeowner's Association Officers and Board

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Association dues for '09 are \$15 (payable to Oak Crest II Homeowners Association) Send to Bill Sample, 148 River Rd.

**GET INVOLVED-  
JOIN THE  
BOARD!**

**Everyone is welcome at the HOA Board Meetings**—the meetings will be held at the Georgetown Country Club (either the dining room or the grill) at 7:30pm on May 19, August 18 and October 20.

**This newsletter will be sent to everyone through the mail for this time only. If you have provided us with an email address, we will send it through email only in the future. All others will continue to get it through the mail. If you would like both an electronic and mail version, send an email to the Oakcrest email address to request one.**

## **Runner-up Cobbler Recipe from Joe Watts**

**Credit for the recipe goes to Pioneers of the Gulf Coast, Lone Star Dutch Oven Society**

### **A Better Quick Fruit Cobbler**

Read the entire recipe before starting, it will make your life easier, and contribute greatly to better results. The following is for a 12-inch Dutch Oven. This recipe can be used with just about any fruit, fresh or canned. Modify the amount of liquid, spices, etc for best results with fresh fruits.

2 cans (29oz) fruit-drain all juice

2 cups each of flour, sugar, milk

4tsp baking powder

2 dashes salt

2 sticks butter (butter is better!)

1/2 cup cinnamon sugar (2tbls sugar and the rest sugar)

Level the oven and pre-heat to "medium" (350 degrees or so). Combine the flour, sugar, milk, baking powder and salt, mixing into a smooth batter. Add the butter to the hot oven. When it is melted, pour the batter in using a swirling pattern, evenly distributing it in the batter (**DON'T STIR!**) Carefully add the fruit on top of the batter spread it out evenly, but **DO NOT STIR IT.** Sprinkle the cinnamon sugar over the top of the fruit. Bake at a "medium" (350-375) heat for a FULL 55-60 minutes, replacing the charcoal as needed and turn the pot twice over the charcoal (it will look done before it is done) Let it cool 20 minutes before inhaling (eating).

Note: It is important to have the

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oven level to cook this dish. If the batter is too thick for you, add some of the fruit juice next time. Now that you have read through the recipe, you have come to the conclusion that it is usually cooked outside. It can also be done in a conventional oven, Just don't put the lid on the Dutch Oven and heat the oven to 375 for a full hour.

## **Safety Reminders**

Wear light colored clothing when walking on the roads, especially in the dark. Our roads are narrow and winding with few sidewalks. It is difficult to see walkers and runners on the roads at night. Make sure your neighbors can see you!

Report any vandalism incidents to the Georgetown Police. Neighbors have had mailboxes destroyed, which is a federal crime. Please be vigilant and keep our neighborhood safe!



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**A Newsletter from  
Oakcrest II HOA**

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Photo by Rudy Ximenez  
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Visit my site and view my gallery. All  
images can be canvas-mounted and framed  
and signed for your home decor!

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Your Oakcrest II HOA

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