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3 Things You Need to Know

1. See PGNA 2021 Calendar on [page 18](#)
2. The City of Fort Worth's Hillshire Drop-off Center (in North Fort Worth, off of HW 287) offers lots of services, see [page 17](#).
3. Neighborhood Police Officer Derrick Simpson warms against phone scam, see [page 8](#).

Attention

ParkGlen.org

ParkGlen.org has a lot of information that might be useful to you. On the Home page you will find three tabs:

Events, Documents, and Information/Contact US. Click the Events tab for upcoming information on PGNA Events (when we can have them again) and Board meetings (which are online due to COVID-19). The login info. for the meeting and some supporting documents for the meeting are posted by 7 pm on the Friday before the Monday Board meeting. Under the Information/Contact Us tab, contact information for the Association and government agencies can be found in addition to the Home page.

Along the top bar, if you click on the Documents tab, you can choose the Deed Restrictions (Covenants, Conditions, & Restrictions, CCR's) which include the Community-wide Bulletins which are requirements for the entire neighborhood and the particular CCR's for each Village. Maps are included and if you're not sure which Village you are in, you can even type in your address, and it will tell you. In addition, Under Documents, you can choose Make a Property Modification Request which explains in general terms when a Property Modification Request is required and has the link to the Request form and a tab on the right hand side with our Community Manager contact info. if you have questions. Also, Under Documents, you can find past meeting minutes, past Newsletters, and Financial Information.

Holiday Decorating Contest 2020 Winners

The Hills

7954 Kern Ct.



The Vistas at Park Glen - 5021 Lodgepole Ln.



The Meadows

5421 Tularosa Dr.



Holiday Decorating Contest 2020 Winners cont.

The Preserve

8401 Greylock Ct.



The Glen

4636 Timken Tr.



Phase I

7421 Arcadia Tr.



Holiday Decorating Contest 2020 Winners cont.

The Bluffs

5221 Redwood Tr.



Park View

7713 Guadalupe Ct.



The Knoll

7705 Arcadia Tr.



2020 Winners cont.



Wind Ridge

8378 Denali Dr.



Phase III

7812 Rouge River Tr.



The Crossing

5337 Big Bend Way



Vistas of Park Glen

5201 Yampa Tr.

Shout Outs

A Big Shout out and Thank you goes out to the following for all their service and involvement this past month for our community:

The Park Glen Scouts who provided volunteer yard work for those in Park Glen that needed assistance and to Bob Kilburn, Scout Rep. and Kristy Shallcross, volunteer Chair of the Service Group. Your Service to the Community is greatly appreciated.

All our volunteer judges and Beth Rutkoski for coordinating the Holiday Decorating Event.

Do you have a "SHOUT OUT" to share? For example, a neighbor's help you really appreciate, etc. Send it to PGNABeth@gmail.com



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From our Neighborhood Police Officer, Derrick Simpson

Be Alert. Be Aware. Be Informed.

Recently, Mr. John Doe found himself caught up in the midst of a scam. John Doe, as we will call him, received multiple phone calls from someone claiming to be from the “IRS” and stating they needed to speak to him about fraudulent activity related to his Social Security Number. They also said a warrant had been issued for his arrest. Initially doubting the validity, he ignored the calls, but they persisted for several hours and he considered it could be legitimate.

The caller instructed Mr. Doe to verify the outstanding warrant by calling the FWPD non-emergency line. Before he could, he received a call from the non-emergency number (817-392-4222) and a female – who provided a badge number – confirmed he did indeed have an active warrant for his arrest. He was instructed to comply with the “IRS agent.”

The “agent” then instructed Mr. Doe to send all available funds via iCoin machine at a (specific) location. He was told they would hold the funds for 24 hours until the warrant was canceled and then return the money to him. Mr. Doe was on the phone constantly while the transfer was made and shared his Driver’s License number, Social Security Number, and a photo taken at the iCoin machine. After the transaction he received a barcode from the machine that he was told he needed to keep for proof. A uniformed officer would be at his residence the following day at 0900 to collect the barcode.

It was not until the transaction was completed that Mr. Doe realized his money had been stolen. And the criminals were now in possession of his driver’s license number, social security number, and a photo that would likely be used for future identity theft.

These types of scams are all too common, unfortunately, and can happen to any of us. Even knowing it was likely a scam, hearing the words “IRS,” “fraud,” “warrant,” “arrest,” evoked a very visceral reaction. And now, the ability of criminals to clone a known number (make it show up on the caller ID) – in this case the FWPD non-emergency number – can make it even more difficult to discern which calls are valid or not. The main thing to remember is that if something feels off, then question it. Our instincts are normally right, as was the case with Mr. Doe when the caller first reached out to him.



I wanted to let you all know that this is one of the biggest things that we are getting calls about. People are getting scammed all kinds of ways. So, if you do not feel right or things sound too good to be true then they are probably not. If anyone calls and tell you that you need to pay money to receive money, then most likely it’s a scam.

Please Stay Safe!!!

If you need to contact NPO Derrick Simpson 3784, the neighborhood patrol officer, the best way to contact him is by email at derrick.simpson@fortworthtexas.gov. Or (817)392-3180 (desk), (817)988-1076 (cell). They don’t work weekends unless it’s a special event. If there is something that needs immediate police attention call 911, if not call non-emergency (817)392-4222.



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PGNA Landscape Corner

by Susan Kenney

This is a great time (November-February) to thin out the tree canopies so that sun can get through to help grass grow in the spring. If your front yard is bare of grass or vegetation, now is also a good time to plan for improving your front yard. The PGNA Board passed a new Landscape Bulletin in August 2020 which allows more options, such as ground cover, shrubs, etc., for the front yard.

See this link for the new B1.07 Landscape Bulletin:

http://users.neo.registeredsite.com/9/8/2/12319289/assets/Bulletins-Guidelines_thru_2020-08_b.pdf.



Best Times to Install and Prune

The best time to install sod, especially St. Augustine, Zoysia, and Bermuda, is in the spring time from late April through May. You can install sod in the summer; however, it will require more water. Sod needs to be well established before winter, so it is best NOT to install past the middle of September. The best time to install ground covers are in the spring, i.e., Asian jasmine; however, mondo grass and liriopoe can be planted from September through May.



The best time to install most trees and shrubs are from September through May; however, they can be planted in the summer, but it will require more water and is more difficult with the heat. The summer can put a lot of stress on new plants, so it is best to let them grow roots and get established when the temperatures are still mild and the soil is cool.

The best time to prune trees if limb is under one (1) inch in diameter is anytime. If the limb is greater than one (1) inch in diameter then the best time to prune is from November through February. If the tree is a Live oak or a Red oak, it is recommended not to prune in the spring, because it could get oak wilt disease, which we have seen in our neighborhood, according to Fort Worth's Forestry Department. It is always best to research your particular plant/tree to see if there are special requirements than those stated above.



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Park Glen Scouting

By Bob Kilburn

What a fun month for Scouting in Park Glen. Lots of going on for all the Scouts in Pack, Crew and Scouts BSA Troops 205 and 2205 chartered at the Alliance United Methodist Church right here in Park Glen

The newest Cub Scouts spent time learning the Scout Oath & Law over the Christmas break with some help from the Boy Scouts from Troop 205 and Venturers from Crew 205. They learned how to do a Flag Ceremony and the meaning behind the Scout Oath & Law. They had a drive-in movie where they built their own cars to sit in to watch the movie. There were several winners for the design of the cars. They had a great time, watching Elf, eating popcorn and fun. The Cubs are now making pinewood derby cars for the upcoming race on January 16 at 11:00 a.m. Come and join us in the Family Life Center at Alliance United Methodist Church.

The Scouts from Troop 205 participated in several STEM activities this past month, and Scouts earned their Aviation Merit badge at the same time. During one troop meeting the boys got to meet Bob Hines (The Astronaut) ask questions and hear him speak about what it is like to be an astronaut. The Boy Scouts continued doing prep hikes getting prepared for this summer expedition to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico.

Troop 205 & Crew 205 participated in the Park Glen Service Day this month. They did yard work and helped clean up around the neighborhood for homeowners needing assistance. They did a great job, and it looks like this will be a regular outreach in our community.

Crew 205 was very busy. They had a shooting campout. They had several fundraising activities along with the service they provided during the holidays. They served meals on Thanksgiving Day to the homeless. They worked at Arlington Mission wrapping gifts for the Christmas store and helped children shop for their gifts.

Troop 2205 is celebrating its 2nd birthday on February 8, 2021 with a special Court of Honor. It will begin at 7:00 in the AUMC gym. We are always open to girls ages 11-17 who are interested in learning more about our BSA troop.

Interested in Scouting in the Park Glen Area?

Contact **Bob Kilburn** at 817-789-9907 or bobkilburn@sbcglobal.net or visit our websites:

For the Venture Crew 205: www.crew205tx.com

For Scouts BSA (Girls)(Troop 2205): <https://troop2205Gtx.org>

For Scouts BSA (Boys) (Troop 205): <https://troop205tx.org>

For Cub Scouts:

<http://fortworthpack205.weebly.com>



New Service Group

**A NEW SERVICE GROUP HAS BEEN FORMED TO ASSIST
PARK GLEN RESIDENTS WHO NEED HELP WITH YARD WORK**

The new service group will help Park Glen residents, for a short time, who have special circumstances preventing them from doing their yard work. Park Glen Scouts: Crew 205, Troop 205, and Troop 2205 have volunteered to do yard work that includes mowing, trimming, edging, etc.



Please call or text Kristy Shallcross, the Volunteer Chair of this service group at **817-908-0095** to explain your circumstance and what needs to be done in your yard (front and/or back yard).

**THIS SERVICE GROUP IS NOT A SERVICE OF
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Easy Eggplant Parmesan

This Easy Eggplant Parmesan recipe is made into a convenient bake with pasta on the bottom, and layered up with slices of eggplant, red sauce and cheese on top! It's a family loved recipe and perfect for a weeknight meal!

Prep Time: 1 hour 15 minutes
Cook Time: 30 minutes
Cool Time: 15 minutes
Total Time: 2 hours
Servings: 6 people
Equipment: Shallow bowls and large frying pan

Ingredients

2 med./large eggplant
 1 Tbsp. salt
 1 1/2 cups breadcrumbs
 1/4 cup Parmesan cheese, grated
 2 tsp. Italian seasoning
 1 tsp. salt
 1/2 tsp. pepper
 1 cup All Purpose Flour
 2 large eggs
 1 Tbsp. milk
 1/4 cup Canola oil, plus more as needed
 1 lb. rotini pasta
 2 (24 oz.) jars marinara sauce
 8 oz. Mozzarella cheese, freshly grated



Instructions

1. Slice the eggplant into 1/4 inch thick slices and place on baking sheet(s) in an even layer. Sprinkle salt all over eggplant slices and let rest for 60 minutes. (This will draw out water from the eggplant AKA sweat eggplant).
2. Meanwhile, prepare the dredging station. In a shallow bowl, mix together the breadcrumbs, Parmesan cheese and seasonings. Place flour in another bowl, and whisk eggs and milk in a third bowl. Align the station as follows: flour, eggs & breadcrumb mixture in shallow bowls.
3. Cook the pasta, until al dente, and set aside.
4. Once the eggplant is done sweating, rinse the slices in a colander and then pat dry with paper towels.
5. Preheat oven to 400°F.
6. Bread the eggplant: dip in the flour first, then in the egg, and lastly in the breadcrumb mixture. Place eggplant slices on a clean baking sheet.
7. Pan-Fry the eggplant: Heat 2-3 Tbsp. canola oil in a large non-stick frying pan over medium-high heat. Once hot and shimmering, add in the eggplant slices using tongs. Don't overcrowd the pan, only fit as many as you can in an even layer.
8. Fry until golden brown, ~4-5 minutes each side. Add more oil to the pan as needed in between batches. Place fried eggplant on paper-towel lined baking sheets.
9. Arrange the casserole: place the cooked pasta down in a 9x13 inch pan. Pour 24 ounces of red sauce over and toss to coat. Then layer the eggplant slices in an even layer. Pour 12 oz. red sauce over the eggplant. Then another layer of eggplant slices over that, followed by the remaining 12 oz. red sauce. Top with shredded mozzarella cheese and bake for 20-25 minutes. Broil for 2-3 minutes (optional).
10. Let rest for at least 15 minutes, garnish with basil. Enjoy with more red sauce, as desired.

Notes: Add more breadcrumbs if needed to the dredging station. Depending on size of eggplants you may need 1 more egg as well. Start with less to prevent waste.

Link: https://krollskorner.com/wprm_print/28874



Cookies and Cream Red Velvet Brownies

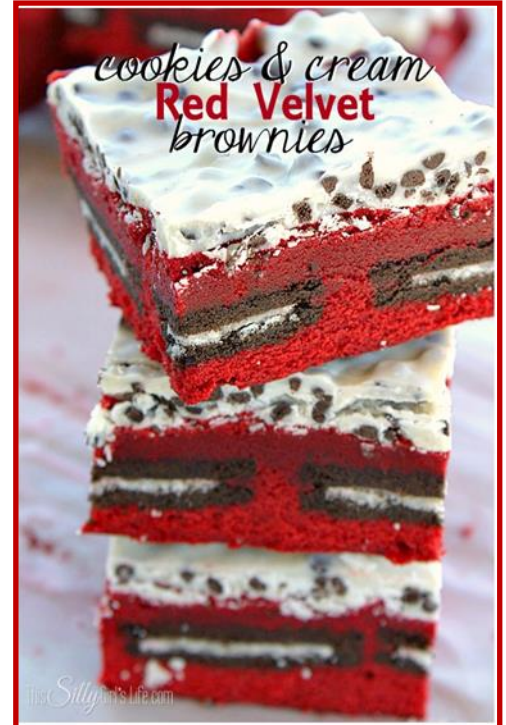
Prep Time: 10 minutes
Cook Time: 40 minutes
Total Time: 50 minutes
Servings: 16 pieces

Ingredients

1 1/4 Cup all purpose flour
3 Tbls cocoa powder
1 Cup brown sugar
1/4 tsp salt
1 stick 1/2 Cup unsalted butter, softened
2 eggs
2 tsp vanilla
1 oz 2 Tbls red food coloring gel
15 Oreos
54 cookies and cream kisses

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a medium sized bowl, add in the flour, salt and cocoa powder. Whisk to combine and set aside.
2. In a large bowl, cream the butter and brown sugar together until light and fluffy, about 1 minute. Add in eggs one at a time and mix, add in vanilla and food coloring, mix to combine. Mix in about 1/4 of the flour mixture at a time until everything is combined, scraping the sides of the bowl as necessary.
3. In a 9x9 pan, line with parchment paper and place half of the brownie mixture in bottom, spreading to coat evenly.
4. Next, layer in the Oreos. Pour the remaining batter on top and smooth the top. Bake for 35-40 minutes until a toothpick inserted into the middle comes out clean.
5. Place on a wired rack and immediately top with the kisses. Wait 10 minutes for the kisses to melt and with a spatula, smooth the kisses over the entire top. Let cool completely, place in the fridge and let set for an hour. (Or, if you prefer them warm you can skip the fridge.)
6. Cut into bars, serve and enjoy



Link: <https://thisillygirlskitchen.com/cookies-cream-red-velvet-brownies/>

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PGNA Board Meeting

Homeowners are always welcome at PGNA Board Meetings held at 7pm every third Monday (except for the combined November/December meeting held on the first Monday of December). The next meeting is January 18, 2021. Meetings are held online go to the [PGNA website](#) for the directions.



COVENANT CORNER

Fort Worth Waste Drop-off

The City of Fort Worth has a North Service Center (the Hillshire Drop-off Station) located at 301 Hillshire Dr.



A recent Fort Worth water bill or current driver's license with a Fort Worth address is required to be shown.



Many items may be taken to this station, such as household chemicals and products, paint, electronics such as tv's, computers, etc., tires, bulky trash, yard trimmings and clean brush, fire extinguishers, batteries, automotive fluids, bagged garbage, and many other items. They even have secure shredding carts (which are taken away to shred), an area to donate items to Goodwill, and free mulch. There are some limitations and requirements when taking items, so please see the specifics and requirements at the following link: <https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/departments/code-compliance/solidwaste/dropoff>.



Hours are Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Closed Sundays. Closed certain holidays, see the link above. If you have any questions, you can call **817-392-1234**.



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Attention: Due to COVID-19

No in-person Board meetings or events will be able to be held currently and in the near future because of the liability risk of someone contracting COVID-19. Therefore, all PGNA Board meetings will continue to be online, and the Eggstravaganza will not be able to be held this year. Future events will be determined based upon the status of Covid-19 in our Community.

PGNA - 2021 Calendar and Event Ideas		
<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Event / Activity</u>
1/18/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
2/15/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
3/15/2021	Mon	Spring Break Week starts (KISD & BISD)
3/15/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
3/20/2021	Sat	Cancelled: Eggstravaganza & Spring Festival
4/4/2021	Sun	Easter
4/16/2021	Fri	PID6 Garage Sales
4/17/2021	Sat	PID6 Garage Sales
4/18/2021	Sun	PID6 Garage Sales
4/19/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
5/1/2021	Sat	Start Accepting Scholarship Applications
5/17/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
		Yard of the Month Judging (winner selected end of May, Jun, Jul, Aug)
6/1/2021	Tue	PGNA Scholarship Application Deadline. Selection Committee reviews in June
	Sun	Pool Movie Night (if Pack up and Play Pool is open) ??
6/21/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
7/3/2021	Sat	PID6 Independence Celebration (rain date 7/10/21)
7/3/2021	Sat	PGNA Independence Parade
	Sun	Pool Movie Night (if Pack up and Play Pool is open) ??
7/19/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
	Sun	Pool Movie Night (if Pack up and Play Pool is open) ??
8/16/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
9/13/2021	Mon	Annual Meeting & Board Election 7:00-8:30pm
9/20/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
9/25/2021	Sat	Community Shredding (last held on Sept. 26, 2020)
10/12/2021	Tue	National Night Out Block Parties
10/16/2021	Sat	Movie in the Park (if no Summer Pool/Movie nights) ??
10/18/2021	Mon	Board Meeting
10/15/2021	Fri	PID6 Garage Sales
10/16/2021	Sat	PID6 Garage Sales
10/17/2021	Sun	PID6 Garage Sales
10/21/21-10/26/21		Halloween/Harvest Decorating Contest
11/25/2021	Thu	Turkey Trot ??
12/4/2021	Sat	Holiday in the Park
12/9/21-12/13/21		Holiday Decorating Contest Judging
12/6/2021	Mon	November / December Board Meeting
		* All events are subject to change and cancellation