## The Oaks at Charleston Commons

# The Oak Leaf

# <u>COVENANT CORNER</u>

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Your HOA directors meet quarterly.

Where do you dispose of your yard waste? Seems that some of our neighbors are resorting to dumping their limbs and grass clippings etc., in the detention ponds This has been very costly. It just recently cost you several thousand dollars of your HOA dues to have these ponds cleared and brought up to Gwinnett County code. Please dispose of your yard waste properly and legally.

Please check your trees for limbs overhanging sidewalks and mailboxes. The Postal Service reports that they find it difficult to make deliveries at some homes because of overhanging limbs. In addition, neighbors cannot easily walk along the sidewalks. If you have trees near a street light, the EMC reports that the homeowner is responsible for maintaining the trees so that they do not block the light. The same holds true for traffic signs.

SHUTTERS, MAILBOXES & PRESSURE WASHING: Many shutters are in bad need of a new coat of paint. Mail boxes are molding and need a good cleaning or replacement. Several homes have gone from their beautiful color to green from mold. Pressure washing can resolve this issue and bring your home back to its original beautiful color.

Spring is just around the corner. Spruce up your flower beds and treat or have your yard treated to eliminate weeds.

STREET PARKING for periods longer than six hours is prohibited. This is a covenant issue and you may be fined for this violation. Most neighbors abide by this issue but there are a few exceptions, i.e., residents that do not think this applies to them. It does and need to be corrected.

Article V, Section 2 of the Covenants states that

- (f) All resident owned vehicles shall be parked in the garages or driveways of their respective residences for periods of time exceeding six hours. Inoperable vehicles or vehicles under repair shall be parked in the garage at all times during such period of repair or inoperativeness.
- (h) No motor homes, campers, trailers, boats, motorcycles, or commercial vehicles shall be parked or stored in such a manner as to be visible from the street or any other residence.

There are some issues that are not within the authority of the HOA or Board, i.e., domestic issues, loose animals, neighborly disputes, etc. These issues need to be handled directly or reported to the proper authorities for resolution as the HOA is not capable of intervening in situations beyond the authority designated in the covenants.

## THE OAKS AT CHARLESTON COMMONS WEBSITE

This is where you can go to find most of the information that you will ever need, i.e., newsletters, architectural change application forms etc. Check it out!

The web address is: charlestoncommonshoa.com

#### RENTERS RESPONSIBILITES

Are you a renter in this neighborhood? If so, then you have the same responsibility to abide by the covenant rules and regulations as home owners. Be a good neighbor and keep your home up or have the home owner take care of issues. Renters must also abide by the Covenant parking restrictions.