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## President's Report

Chris Lindsay

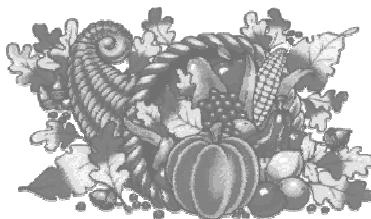
The Garden Oaks Civic Club Board of Director's and Committee Chairmen met on October 17<sup>th</sup> to consider the Nominating Committee's recommended slate for the 2006 Board of Directors. Upon unanimous approval by the Board, the announced slate of candidates are: President – Sheila Briones, Vice President - Chris Schmidt, Treasurer – Mike Dishberger, and Secretary – Gale Gorman. As prescribed by our by-laws these nominations must be printed in the November issue of the Gazette. Election of officers will take place at the December 6 Civic Club meeting. Thank you to Nominating Committee members Craig Lee, Chairman and Terry Jeanes and Shelley Rodgers.

The Board also considered the proposed 2006 Budget for the Civic Club at the same meeting. Printed on the back cover of the Gazette is the proposed budget for 2006. A more detailed budget showing line items of general expenditures and income will be available at the November 1<sup>st</sup> Civic Club meeting. As also prescribed by our by-laws the year's budget must be published in the November Gazette before a vote by Civic Club members at the December meeting.

The Board also considered the revisions to our by-laws as drafted and presented by Ms. Lori Kennedy who agreed to undertake this task earlier this year. The Board will study the revisions before bringing them to the members of the Civic Club for discus-

sion and approval. The Board wishes to express their thanks to Lori for undertaking this assignment and for submitting a very thorough set of revisions in a very timely manner.

The last item I would like to make note of is that Ms. Tina Rowe has agreed to be Sign Coordinator for the Civic Club. Tina will be in charge of keeping a database of those residents who have a GOCC meeting sign or a Heavy Trash Pick Up sign. Please phone or email Tina with your name, address, email, and telephone number and which signs you currently have. Also please tell her where you post the signs, this will help her assess where she needs additional volunteers to post the reminder signs in areas of the neighborhood that don't get these helpful reminders. If you are willing to help put up and take down a Civic Club meeting sign or Heavy Trash Pick-up sign—please contact Tina. She will arrange to get you the type and number of signs you want. All you do is place the sign out a few days or the weekend before the Civic Club meeting or Heavy Trash day in your section and then remove it and store until the next time. Tina's contact information is: 713-922-2026 or [tinarene@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tinarene@sbcglobal.net).



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### Civic Club Meeting Tuesday, Nov. 1st

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The next Civic Club meeting will be on Nov. 1st at 7:00 p.m. in the Garden Oaks Elementary School cafeteria. Babysitting services are available at the meeting at a cost of \$1.00 per child. Hope to see you there!

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## Heard Under the Oak Tree Terry Jeanes

*Welcome new neighbors who recently  
joined the neighborhood.*

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<b>813 West 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>1022 Lamonte</b>
<b>1083 West 41<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>508 West 30<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>320 West 33<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>814 West 43<sup>rd</sup></b>
<b>215 West 33<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>818 West 30<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>427 West 32<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>726 West 39<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>1325 Sue Barnett</b>	

Congratulations on joining us. We hope to see you at a civic club meeting soon.

### *Birthdays and Celebrations*

11/2 **Stacy Collins Gross**  
11/4 **Katie Swick,**  
11/8 **Holly Veech**  
11/10 **Anthony Neiser**  
11/11 **Becky Jeanes**  
11/12 **Caroline Padon**  
11/25 **Lucy McLean**

*And Belated wishes ...the big \*\* to*  
10/14 **Art Lindsay**

### *Congratulations to*

**Marisa Zindler** and **Jason Feit** on their recent wedding October 8<sup>th</sup>

### *Anniversary Celebrations and Congratulations*

11/10 **Mark & Katie Swick**  
11/29 **Tom Peden & Margaret Rudd**

*Our Condolences to the family of*  
**Brian Lauder**, who passed away unexpectedly on Sept 15 and to **Brenda de Alba** with the recent passing of her father.

To highlight an event or celebration or other tidbit, contact Terry Jeanes at 713-812-9154 or [terry@terryjeanes.com](mailto:terry@terryjeanes.com).

# Civic Club Meeting Minutes

October , 2005

Gale Gorman, Civic Club Secretary

Meeting was convened in the cafeteria at Garden Oaks Elementary School.

President Chris Lindsay opened the meeting a few minutes after 7pm. There was a good turnout, approximately fifty people attended.

- 1) Minutes of the September meeting were approved as published in the Gazette.
- 2) Mike Dishberger gave our financial report.
- 3) Chris Lindsay opened the President's report with:
  - a) Thanks for the generosity in Katrina relief efforts
  - b) Reminder that the Nominating Committee is in the process of developing a slate for next year's Board. Volunteers may contact Terry Jeanes or Craig Lee or Chris Lindsay with nominees.
  - c) Darian Hall was introduced from City Council member Toni Lawrence's office:
    - He announced that recycling in Houston is suspended indefinitely until Hurricane Rita debris is removed. The program may not come back at all due to the fact that it is not a cost-effective program for the city.
    - Trash pickup is a problem after hurricane Rita.
    - Power outages were and are a problem. Civic Club will work with CM Lawrence on getting someone from Reliant Energy to come to a Civic Club meeting in the near future to discuss.
    - A Town hall meeting will be held at Spring Woods High School on October 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. On gangs and graffiti.
- 4) Terry Jeanes introduced the constable, Deputy Smith, who gave a report on his activities.
  - a) Deputy Smith demonstrated gun locks and offered them to everyone free of charge.
  - b) The constable program will be fingerprinting children one hour prior to our next meeting as well as at the Fall Festival.
  - c) The constables did extra patrols during Hurricane Rita.
- 5) Deanna Zugheri was not present to report on the Fall Festival Committee but a flyer was available listing all of the activities in addition to the lead article in the Gazette. It was explained that there would be a fee for those participating in games and nominal charges for food and drink. The festival is being put on in conjunction with the Garden Oaks Elementary School and the Montessori Program. All proceeds will go to the school. Volunteers are still needed to work at the Festival which is on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Rick Englert Spark Park next to GO Elementary School.
- 6) Sue Schmidt announced the theme for the 2006 Home Tour – "Pathways thru the Oaks" submitted by Dian Austin and Sandy Altman, who won dinner at Mark's Restaurant for their winning entry. The committee is still seeking one additional garden for the 2006 Home Tour and a person to head the Transportation Committee. Suggestions and volunteers please contact Sue Schmidt at 832-563-3402 or SueSchmidt@Houston.rr.com.
- 7) Tina Rowe volunteered to be our sign coordinator. Signs will announce GOCC meetings and Heavy Trash pickup days. If you currently have either of the signs please contact Tina with that information so we can establish a

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## Civic Club Meeting Minutes

October , 2005

Gale Gorman, Civic Club Secretary

database and inventory of the signs. If you wish to help out by putting out one or more of these signs each month, contact Tina at 713-922-2026 or [tinarene@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tinarene@sbcglobal.net).

- 8) Ed de Alba reported the Beautification Committee had 8 volunteers showed up to work on the berm park at Randall and Durham, across the street from Taco Cabana. New work days for other green spaces will be listed in the next Gazette.
- 9) Carl Waters reported on GOCOP. Patrols by our residents are ongoing, but, we could use additional volunteers. To get more details, please contact Carl at 713-864-1992.
- 10) Officers and our budget will be up for voting at the December meeting.
- 11) Terry Jeanes announced the Good Neighbor Award went to Jay and Shana Tatum. The next award will be in January. Send nominations to Terry Jeanes.
- 12) Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m.

## Letter to the Editor

Bryan Klein

Garden Oaks was founded in 1939 and has been evolving ever since creating a community that is cohesive and nostalgic. Houston has grown and changed around Garden Oaks. Loop 610 was not there, 290 moved from old Hempstead east to its present location, Shepherd was expanded from 2 to 6 lanes, and 43<sup>rd</sup> was changed from a tree lined, two lane black top where neighborhood children played to a four lane thoroughfare with bus service.

When 43<sup>rd</sup> was expanded much of the charm was lost. Homeowners on 43<sup>rd</sup> lost a buffer of up to 25 feet of front lawn and the city added sidewalks on residents' property. Now 43<sup>rd</sup> street is a major conduit through our beautiful oasis.

We owe it to ourselves to be mindful of the design and explicit principles that guide and preserve our community. Garden Oaks prohibits fences, walls, or hedges beyond the front of the house. But residents along Shepherd and 43<sup>rd</sup> are impacted daily by the bustling of the city streets. These homeowners provide other residents on interior lots with a "buffer" from various undesirable factors. It is routine for Shepherd and 43<sup>rd</sup> homeowners to be reluctant to answer the front door; they are rarely seen outside due to the enormous volume of pedestrians and traffic. Until someone surprises you at your front porch, or cuts across your lawn, sleeps in your bushes, urinates in your front yard, or wakes you at 3am to ask for bus fare, you cannot imagine the absolute necessity for some variance. Shepherd and 43<sup>rd</sup> residents should have a unique privacy "buffer" to shield them from the busy streets.

Security issues, noise, and constant traffic impact River Oaks residents, too. By making slight variances for those homeowners along the busiest thoroughfares, River Oaks created a solution for the same problems.

# Letter to the Editor cont.

*Bryan Klein*

Using the variances created for River Oaks residents along Kirby and San Felipe as a guideline, I suggest the following:

1. Fences would be of brick, stone or masonry columns and wrought iron or totally wrought iron construction.
2. Front fences must be set back behind the public sidewalk.
3. Fencing in front of the housing along thoroughfares shall not exceed six feet as measured from the existing ground. GOMO may select the top of curb or sidewalk level as the base grade for determining this height of the fence.
4. All fence variance plans must be submitted for written GOMO approval.

This variance is necessarily restrictive to maintain the charm and grandeur of Garden Oaks while providing safety and quality of life for families. Metro operates commercially along 43<sup>rd</sup> St. and Shepherd everyday, and the deed restrictions do not appear to allow this variance.

Please consider supporting a petition of the Garden Oaks Maintenance Organization to allow fencing “buffers” for residents along our busiest thoroughfares so that we may all continue to enjoy Garden Oaks as it evolves. If you have suggestions please contact me (713) 907-5259 or email me at (vbklein@houston.rr.com).

(Editor’s Note: Deed restrictions matters are regulated by Garden Oaks Maintenance Organization and not the Garden Oaks Civic Club).



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## Constable Program Kid Safe – Fingerprinting & A Thank you!

*Terry Jeanes and Susan Love - Saranie*

First a great thank you to our Deputy Richard Smith and fellow Precinct One officers who along with HPD officers made sure we had great coverage keeping our neighborhood safe during the recent events of Hurricane Rita. Our officers were patrolling 24 hours a day. For those of you who will take a moment and send an added written thank you, here is the address...Precinct One Constable Jack Abercia Attn. Capt. McAdams 7300 N. Shepherd Houston, Texas 77091.

Garden Oaks Constable will be providing additional services for residents this month...Kid Safe – Fingerprinting and ID system for Children and free gun locks. The Garden Oaks Constable in conjunction with Kid Safe, a noted fingerprinting and child ID system, participated at the Garden Oaks Fall Festival Saturday October 29<sup>th</sup>.

To provide additional fingerprinting to area children, a second opportunity will be provided prior to November Civic Club meeting Tuesday November 1<sup>st</sup>. from 6:00 – 7 pm. Deputy Smith also brought gun safety locks to the October meeting and since all were taken by attendees, additional locks will be made available at the November 1st meeting. Come take advantage of these valuable safety opportunities.

Volunteers are needed to help with the upcoming membership and constable invoice mail out to forthcoming. Please contact Terry Jeanes, 713-812-9154, or tery@terryjeanes.com.

To become a supporter of our Constable Program, you can join for a \$50 portion for the remainder of the year and the full \$140 for the next year. Take the time now to fill out the form in the Gazette, on [www.gardenoaks.org](http://www.gardenoaks.org)

### REMEMBER THESE PROGRAM BENEFITS:

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- Vacation Watch by Harris County Constable (forms available to

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- Security Check for Insurance Discount
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- Perceived value for prospective neighbors considering Garden Oaks for their future home in a community where the neighbors work collectively to make the neighborhood safer.

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Here are some updated stats from August

Miles Patrolled	1,744
Verbal Warnings	0
Written Warnings	2
Court Citations	10
Suspicious Vehicles	1
Arrests	0
Criminal Offenses	1
Alarm responses	5
Vacation watches	41

### CONSTABLE PRECINCT 1



## Critter Corner

Casey Farris and Mau Mau Farris

Hi Neighbors! Cooler weather is finally upon us and our pets are just as happy about it as we are. Two great ways to enjoy the cooler weather also happens to be canine favorites – parks and howling at dusk. This month we want to encourage you to get out and take your dog to a park. There are several fine parks right here in Garden Oaks and Houston boasts the No. 1 dog park in the nation – Millie Bush Bark Park. After a day in the park you will feel so good you will want to howl. Our pet of the month duo are renowned howlers.

**Pet News:** There is nothing like a day in the park and Houston's Millie Bush Bark Park ranks No. 1 in the nation according to the editors of *Dog Fancy* magazine. The 13-acre dog park was acclaimed for its creative amenities, including three ponds – one just for small dogs – and fake fire hydrants. Located in West Houston near Hwy. 6 and Westheimer in George Bush Park. Open 7 days a week from dawn to dusk. [www.houstondogpark.com](http://www.houstondogpark.com). 16756 Westheimer Parkway.

**Pet of the Month:** November's dynamic duo is Rusty and Lola Murillo. Rusty is a two year old Beagle and Lola is a three year old Jack Russell mix. They live in Section 5 with their humans, Candice and Rick, and two adorable cats, Bacio and Sterling. Rusty was adopted from a local breeder and Lola was adopted at the New Orleans SPCA although she started out at the Houston SPCA. Lola has taught Rusty how to run fast like a terrier and Rusty has taught Lola how to howl like a hound dog. They both love chew toys and Rusty has recently taken up swimming but Lola prefers naptime. They are charter members of the *Go Dog Social Club*. They are affectionately called Rustylump and Lolabean by their friends and family.

**Critters 101: Howl if You're Happy**

Howling is a form of communication in

dogs. It is a way for dogs to signal their presence to other dogs that are often located far away. It is common in wolves and coyotes, both relatives of today's domestic dog.

Domestic dogs that howl, especially those that howl excessively are usually doing this because they are bored and lonely. Getting extra toys and giving your dog more attention and exercise will help to stimulate your dog and reduce excessive howling. If you make your dog sleep outside all night, it's no wonder the dog howls a lot. Bring the dog inside!

Sometimes dogs will howl when they hear sirens or other loud higher pitched sounds like clarinets and flutes. These sounds may even come from a television set. Dogs do this as an instinctive response to hearing what they interpret to be another howl (dog in the distance). They are not doing this because it hurts their ears.

Have you noticed that your dog likes to howl at dusk? This is their way of locating their pack and the position of other packs. Go ahead and howl with your dog – they love it and you may too.



Casey Farris is owner/operator of *Bone Voyage Pet Sitting Services* and *Go Dog Usa*, **home of the Go Dog Social Club and Go Dog Academy @ Urban Tails**. Mau Mau Farris is owner/operator of Casey. Please forward your questions and pet news to [Casey@goDOGusa.com](mailto:Casey@goDOGusa.com) or call 713-688-6363.

## GOMO Meetings

May - December  
All meetings are at 7pm  
GO Professional Bldg.  
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- MAY 18
- JUNE 22
- JULY 20
- AUGUST 17
- SEPTEMBER 21
- OCTOBER 19
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## Citizens on Patrol

*Carl Waters Jr.*

Here we go back into the Holiday Season so I thought I would reprise my Holiday safety article.

### When Shopping:

- Stay alert to your surroundings
- Avoid trips after dark when possible. Go with friends or other family members (remember there is safety in numbers). Park in well lit areas as close to the entrance as possible.
- Use checks, debit cards or credit cards to avoid carrying large amounts of cash when you shop. Ladies keep your purses close to your body and gentlemen put your wallets in your front pocket to make them harder to steal.
- Keep an eye on your purchases when you stop to eat.
- Avoid carrying large numbers of packages; use a package pickup service when you can.
- Have your keys out before you leaving the store. Place packages in the trunk of the car or in other hidden areas as you leave the mall or return to make more purchases.

### August Crime Statistics (8):

#### Assault (1):

900 block of Gardenia on Thursday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. (Residence).

#### Burglary (3):

800 block of W. 32<sup>nd</sup> St. on Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 3:33 p.m. (Residence).

500 block of W. 31<sup>st</sup> St. on Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. (Residence).

300 block of W. 33<sup>rd</sup> St. on Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:30 a.m. (Garage).

#### Burglary of a Motor Vehicle (3):

900 block of W. 41<sup>st</sup> St. on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:15 a.m. (Parking lot?).

2900 block of N. Durham on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:45 a.m. (Parking lot).

300 block of W. 33<sup>rd</sup> St. on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. (Unknown location).

#### Auto Theft (1):

1000 block of W. 41<sup>st</sup> St. on Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:30 p.m. (Driveway).

This gives the neighborhood a year to date total of 58 crimes reported to the Houston Police Department. That is seventeen crimes less than reported through August of 2004.

As always inquires about joining the Citizens Patrol Program or about other community safety issues can be directed to me via neighborhood website GardenOaks.org or to the COP email account at GO-COP77018@AOL.com or by phone at 713-864-1992.

### Reference Numbers

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HPD Non Emergency Services	713-884-2121
All other City Services	311
Constable Dispatch	713-755-7628





**Letter from the Editor**  
**Sue Schmidt**

Okay, where did this year go? We are officially beginning the holiday season, and I am shocked at just how quickly this year has flown by. Before we know it, we will be giving thanks for our many blessings and counting the shopping days until Christmas. But before we get ahead of ourselves, let's be grateful for the wonderful season the Astros have given us. Picture perfect weather, a reason to celebrate and hometown pride for our team has made this past October a special one. As we go to print, we are still rooting for the good guys and riding the wave.

This time of year also means the process begins for the election of a new Civic Club Board of Directors. It would be great to see a record number of members show up in December to participate in our neighborhood civic association elections. The slate of candidates running for the board is included in this issue. The current Board and Committee Chairs have done an outstanding job this past year and tackled some difficult issues. Without the hard work of these individuals, Garden Oaks would not have the beautiful parks we all enjoy, the constable program, Citizens on Patrol, a successful Fall Festival, an upcoming Home Tour, a dynamic website or the Gazette. I encourage you to join the Civic Club and participate in all that Garden Oaks has to offer.

Garden Oaks Maintenance Organization (GOMO) will elect new Directors this month. It is estimated that there are over 1100 homes in the sections of Garden Oaks that are part of GOMO. Last year 79 members took time to vote on how the excess funds accumulated through the collection of the one time transfer fee on each home sale in Sections 1,2, 3 and 5 would be spent. Let me repeat that—79 homeowners out of 1100 decided how our neighborhood would be impacted by these revenues. Think about that! Hopefully, more will participate in the election of GOMO Directors this year. Both the Civic Club

and GOMO affect our neighborhood in so many ways.

When your thinking about counting your blessing this Thanksgiving, I think one of the biggest blessing is living in a community that cares. We see it over and over in Garden Oaks. People helping each other, whether it is during a hurricane, sharing information on the list serv or just helping to reunite owners with their lost pet (which we are very good at, I might add!). This year, let's add civic participation to that list.

**Nominating  
 Committee's  
 recommended  
 slate for the 2006  
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Sheila Briones



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**Robert De Veau**  
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713-686-6012

**Chris Lindsay**, Secretary  
713-819-8412

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## Beautification Update

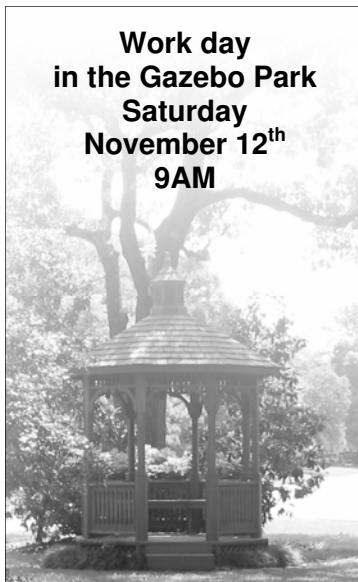
*Brenda de Alba*

Our September work day in the Gazebo Park, canceled when Hurricane Rita blew through, has been rescheduled for Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 9AM. In addition to eradicating the potato vine that wants to "eat" our park, we will do some bed maintenance and create a new bed for a modest number of roses. Gazebo Park Captain, Carol Hazel, has been waging war on the potato vine and sorely needs reinforcements! If you live near or around the Gazebo Park, PLEASE consider volunteering some of your time on the 12<sup>th</sup>. We need your help! The Gazebo Park is one of the neighborhood's jewels and it is also the park least supported by the residents who live nearby.

Sheila Briones, Captain for the Rose Garden in Section 1, sweet-talked some Garden Club members into weeding the Rose Garden and dead-heading the roses after they had finished with their workday in Friendship Garden on October 15<sup>th</sup>. That's dedication for you! Ed de Alba also did some repair work to the drip system in the rose bed and replaced the battery in the automatic timer for the Rose Garden's irrigation system.

If you are new to the neighborhood and would like to be part of our Beautification team, please contact Ed or Brenda de Alba. (713.694.5934)

Work day  
in the Gazebo Park  
Saturday  
November 12<sup>th</sup>  
9AM



## Winners of Friends of Montessori Raffle

Announced by Sheila Briones

Raffle Chair, Shana Tatum, reports that the raffle was a complete success raising over \$7,000 for the Montessori Program. Of that \$700 will be donated to Garden Oaks Elementary School. Congratulations to the raffle winners:

1st place winner of a dell laptop & color printer: **Jose Balleza** (ticket sold by Rosa Ramos)

2nd place winner of \$500 in groceries: **Michael Contello** (ticket sold by Taylor Contello)

3rd place winner of of \$250 in gasoline: **Angie Cruz** (ticket sold by Yanette Gonzalez)

Top raffle ticket sellers were Abby Andrews, Seth Taylor and Sarah Wood.

Thanks go out to the underwriters of the raffle:

1. Oscar Ochoa, OD's Printing
2. Malcolm Taylor, Chevron
3. Michael Hess, AMS Remodeling
4. Karen Luna, DVD donation
5. Karen Rodriguez, bicycle donation

## Advertising & Article Submission Guidelines

The Garden Oaks Gazette is the official publication of the Garden Oaks Civic Club and is published on a monthly basis. It is hand delivered to 1,550 homes the first week of each month.

The Gazette's primary purpose is to disseminate information about Civic Club activities and community events.

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All articles must be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month for publication the following month. Contributing articles will be printed at the Editor's discretion and edited according to space availability. Publication of any article not related to the Civic Club does not imply endorsement by the Garden Oaks Civic Club and is solely the opinion of the author.

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## “The Garden Oaks Good Neighbor” Award Winners 3rd Quarter *Terry Jeanes*

Congratulations to **Jay and Shana Tatum** who were awarded the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Garden Oaks Good Neighbor Award at the recent October Garden Oaks Civic Club meeting. Next months article will feature more about the Tatums, and their lovely family, and why they were chosen.

Continuing in with the acknowledgment of the good deeds done by our neighbors, nominees are being sought for the upcoming 4th presentation of the Garden Oaks Good Neighbor Award. No matter the age, those who give of themselves whether it is a civic club, school, or other community volunteer, or simply to assist with the basic tasks for one of our neighbors...it is time to ac-

knowledge them and say “Thank You”. You make a difference. What better way to say thanks than through special recognition of a Good Neighbor Award? If you know of someone special who gives unselfishly of their time contributing to the community or making the life of someone else more comfortable, nominate them. No matter the age - youth, adult or senior adult, a special thank you is well deserved. Award winners will receive a certificate and gift. A team of greater Garden Oaks community leaders will make each awards selection. To nominate a deserving neighbor, simply contact Terry Jeanes, Good Neighbor Award Sponsor – 713-812-9154 or [terry@terryjeanes.com](mailto:terry@terryjeanes.com).

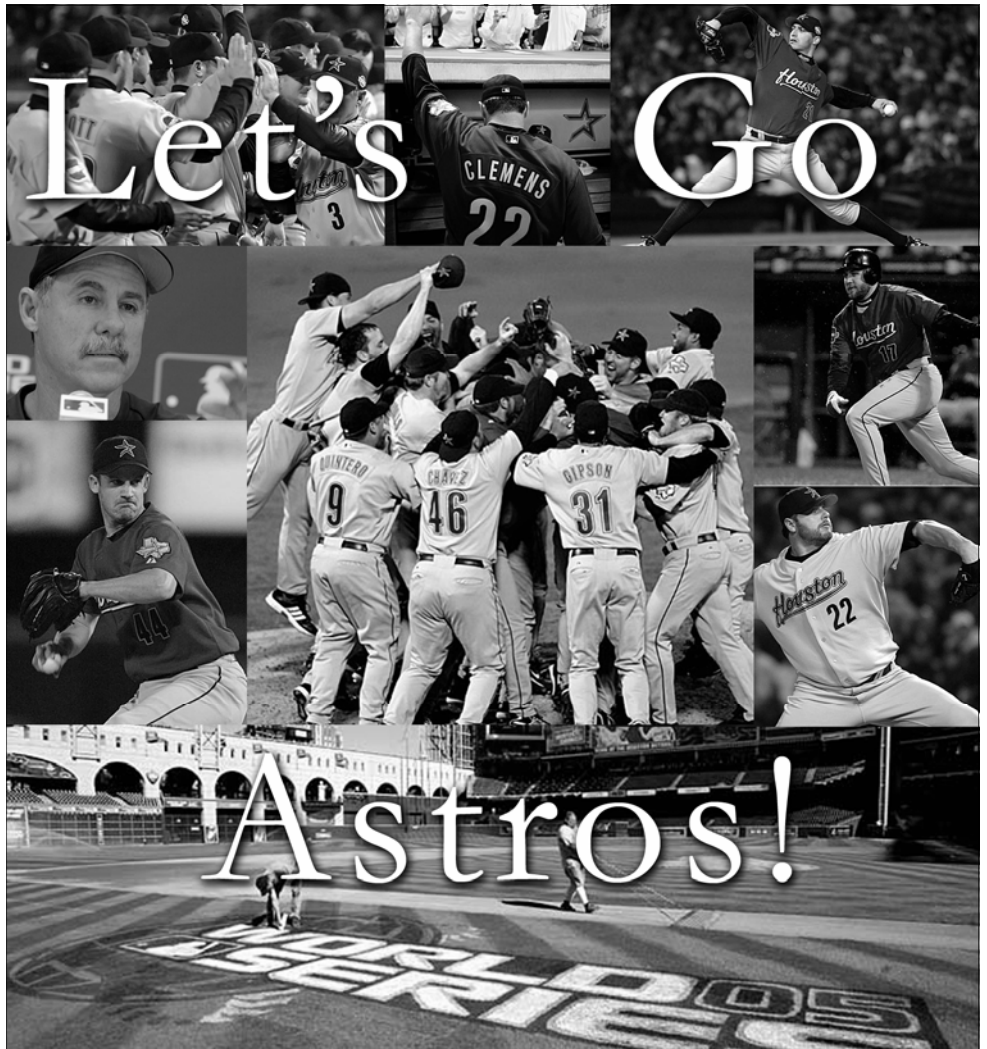


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*Have a Happy  
Thanksgiving*

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# November 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 GO Civic Club Meeting @ GO Elm. School @ 7PM	2 GOMO Mtg. right after Civic Club Meeting	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 <b>Verterans Day</b>	12 Workday in Gazebo Park @ 9AM
13	14	15 <b>Deadline for Gazette Submissions</b>	16 GOMO Mtg. GO Professional Bldg. Suite 216 7 p.m.	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>	25	26
27	28	29	30			

### Useful Numbers

All City Services (city information or services ranging from traffic court dates and sewer concerns to pothole problems and neighborhood complaints) \_\_\_\_\_ **311**

Emergency Services \_\_\_\_\_ **911**

Constable Precinct 1 Dispatch \_\_\_\_\_ **713-755-7628**

HPD Non Emergency Services \_\_\_\_\_ **713-884-3131**

One Call Program (Heavy trash and more) \_\_\_\_\_ **713-956-6589**

Recycling Hotline \_\_\_\_\_ **713-837-9130**

Deeds Restriction Violations City of Houston Legal Department \_\_\_\_\_ **713-247-2000**

Toni Lawrence (District A) \_\_\_\_\_ **713-247-2010**

Dwayne Bohac \_\_\_\_\_ **713-460-2800**

John Whitmire \_\_\_\_\_ **713-864-8701**

## 2005 Garden Oaks Civic Club Membership Form

**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

### (A) Annual Dues

- \$25.00 Crepe Myrtle (Basic)    
  \$50.00 Magnolia (intermediate)    
  \$75.00 Golden Oak (Patron)  
 Senior Citizen \$5.00    
  Senior Citizen \$10.00    
  Senior Citizen \$15.00

### (B) Garden Oaks T-Shirt \$15.00 each or \$10.00 Member Price

Quantity/Size: Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large \_\_\_\_\_ XLarge \_\_\_\_\_ XXLarge \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total

© Contribution to Garden Club \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a \_\_\_ new or \_\_\_ renewing member? Do you \_\_\_ own or \_\_\_ rent your house?

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_ (A)+ \_\_\_\_\_ (B)+ \_\_\_\_\_ (C) = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total

Make Checks payable to : Garden Oaks Civic Club

# 2006 Garden Oaks Civic Club Budget

Income			Expenses			Net
Membership	Total			Membership		
2006 Dues	\$1,700			Postage/Printing	\$1,000	
2007 Dues	\$5,200			Babysitting/ Incentives	\$200	
		\$6,900			\$1,200	\$5,700
<b>Fall Festival</b>		\$0	<b>Fall Festival</b>		\$800	-\$800
<b>4th of July Event</b>		\$0	<b>4th of July Event</b>		\$400	-\$400
<b>Home Tour</b>		\$38,525	<b>Home Tour</b>		\$17,980	\$20,545
<b>Beautification</b>		\$10,000	<b>Beautification</b>		\$30,349	-\$20,349
<b>Gazette (advertising)</b>		\$10,000	<b>Gazette</b>		\$12,000	-\$2,000
<b>Constable</b>		\$58,500	<b>Constable</b>		\$58,500	\$0
<b>Garden Oaks Elementary</b>		\$0	<b>Garden Oaks Elementary</b>		\$600	-\$600
<b>Website</b>		\$0	<b>Website</b>		\$900	-\$900
<b>GOCOP</b>		\$0	<b>GOCOP</b>		\$900	-\$900
<b>Garden Club</b>		\$1,000	<b>Garden Club</b>		\$1,000	\$0
<b>Bank Fees</b>			<b>Bank Fees</b>		\$120	-\$120
<b>Tax/Accounting Fees</b>			<b>Tax/Accounting Fees</b>		\$500	-\$500
<b>Interest</b>		\$400				\$400
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>\$125,325</b>	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>		<b>\$125,249</b>	
<b>NET</b>						<b>\$296</b>

**NOTES\*:**

Membership dues and constable collections are in the fall for the next year

Constable Program income includes carryover from 2004 GOMO & Home Tour funds

Beautification income is carryover from 2004 GOMO funds for signs, trees & shrubs