

The Garden Oaks

Gazette



Hundreds Enjoy "Spirit of America" Bicycle Parade

Sheila Briones, 2006 Parade Chair

Garden Oaks residents, young and old alike, came out in the hundreds to support this year's "Spirit of America" Bicycle Parade held at the Rick Englert SPARK Park on Saturday, July 1st.

Parade Grand Marshall, Toni Lawrence, District A City Councilmember, lead the parade in a red Mercedes convertible driven by Charlie Winter and Garden Oaks Civic Club Vice President Chris Schmidt, who woke everybody along the parade route by blaring his megaphone.

Next came the following vehicles:

- Restored red antique Ford tractor pulling a hay wagon entered by Hartman & Associates.
- Boat float entered by the following families: Veech, Eckert, Balance, Survant, and Prator.

Rounding out the parade were 200 residents on tricycles, wagons, bicycles, strollers, and some on foot and others accompanied by their pets.

Congratulations to all the contest winners:

Stollers
1st place - #174 Lela Cunningham

Tricycles

1st place - #105 Elijah Pharis
2nd place - #39 Camdyn Schwab
3rd place - #126 Matthew Mischlich
Honorable Mention - #119 Julie Fox

Wagons

1st place - #165 Ryan Hanks
2nd place - #119 Zoe

3rd place - #142 Knauth kids
Honorable Mention - #18 Toxey kids

Youth Bikes (5 years & under)

1st place - #30 Kate Mischlich
2nd place - #17 Sebastian Avila-Katine

3rd place - #46 Sebrina Avila-Katine
Honorable Mention - #116 Daniel Vannoy

Youth Bikes (6 - 10 years)

1st place - #156 Grace Kvinge
2nd place - #120 Abby Buck
3rd place - #104 Ned Swart
Honorable Mention - #122 Stacy Schwartz

Youth Bikes (11 - 18 years)

1st place - #160 Kate Abby Kvinge
2nd place - #109 Jordan Daly
3rd place - #162 Kyle Girard

Groups

1st place - Veech & Friends Boat
2nd place - Hartman & Associates
Antique Tractor/Flat Bed
3rd place - #121 Kent

Adult Bikes

1st place - #163 Johnny Burke
2nd place - #101 Troy LeFevre
3rd place - #32 Marion

On Foot

1st place - #22 Marc Roberts
2nd place - Gracie & Jorg Martinez

Pets

1st place - #106 Kendell Modad
2nd place - Ringo Daly
3rd place - #123 Ranger Vannoy

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**A Special Thanks to
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Associates and Terry
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Support of the
2006
"Spirit of America"
Bicycle Parade**

Next Civic Club Meeting Tuesday, September 5th

The next Civic Club meeting will be on Tuesday, September 5th at 7 p.m. in the Garden Oaks Elementary School cafeteria, 901 Sue Barnett @ Garden Oaks Blvd. Babysitting services are available at a cost of \$1.00 per child. Hope to see you there!

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President's Message

Sheila Briones, 2006 Garden Oaks Civic Club President

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, TUESDAY, AUGUST 1st

Don't forget about National Night Out! Plan to go out and meet your neighbors. No August Civic Club meeting will be held so that everyone can attend National Night Out.

SPECIAL "THANKS"

I want to publicly thank Shelley Rogers and Ron Sorum and his daughter, Skylar for weeding and mulching the Rose Garden last month. Also to Ed de Alba for delivering the 20 bales of pine straw mulch and repairing the watering system.

PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS TO 610, US 290 AND IH 45

Wanted to pass on the following information regarding the improvements planned for IH 610-North Loop between IH 45-North Freeway and US 290-Northwest Freeway.

Both US 290 and IH 45-North are at different stages in the planning process and this will dramatically impact the number of lanes and the configuration of traffic on IH 610 between the two. The planning for US 290 is much more advanced and the planning for the North Freeway, IH 45-North, is still more remote while in the Major Investment Study (MIS)

Beginning in 2012, US 290 and portions of the North Loop near US 290 will be under construction to widen the freeway from 6 lanes to 10 main lanes. Sometime between 2008 and 2015, a contract will be awarded for the reconstruction of IH 610-North Loop from T.C. Jester to IH 45-North Freeway. This project will not widen the freeway but keep the number of lanes the same. The IH 610 frontage roads spanning White Oak Bayou will be rehabilitated beginning in 2012. The final number of lanes of IH 610 at the IH 45 interchange will be determined by the recommendation of the MIS. There is no estimate of when construction might begin on the re-

building of the North Freeway from IH 610 to BW8-North.

For more information about the state system of highways, contact the Public Information Office at 713-802-5072.

JULY 1ST BICYCLE PARADE

This year's parade was great fun for all 200 participants. Everyone showed up in their finest "red, white and blue" attire. See the complete report and photos on pages 1, 5 and 7. Enjoy additional parade photos posted at: <http://www.gardenoaks.org/spotlight/spotlight.html>

Hartman & Associates, the Garden Oaks Civic Club, and Terry Jeanes, ReMax/METRO generously underwrote the year's parade.

GARDENLINE HOST RANDY LEMMON MAKING AN APPEARANCE

I am so excited to announce that through the combined efforts of the Civic Club and the Garden Club, we've secured Randy Lemmon as our guest speaker for the Tuesday, September 5th Civic Club meeting.

For those of you that are not familiar with Randy Lemmon, he is the host of GardenLine, a radio program on TalkRadio 950 KPRC. On most Saturday mornings between the hours of 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., you can find me glued to the radio at home or in my car listening to his every word. His gardening advice is simple and straightforward.

Randy is a proud Aggie, graduating from A&M with a Masters degree in agriculture. As a University of Texas graduate, I don't hold that against him.

So make plans to attend the September 5th meeting beginning at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria of Garden Oaks Elementary, 901 Sue Barnett.

July Meeting Minutes

Warren E. Carlson, Secretary

WELCOME

The meeting was convened in the cafeteria of the Garden Oaks Elementary School. President Sheila Briones opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Dian Austin motioned to approve the minutes of the June meeting as printed in the July edition of the Gazette. The motion was seconded by Sandy Altman and the minutes were approved by the members in attendance.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Mike Dishberger made available an income statement and balance sheet. He also reported moving funds to Chase bank to consolidate accounts and earn a better rate of interest.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Constable Program has a new constable to patrol our neighborhood. Deputy Smith has been promoted to another position. Deputy David Vest has filled the vacancy and offered his assistance as needs arise. Welcome, Deputy Vest!

The Home and Garden Tour netted a profit of roughly \$30,000, as reported by Sheila Briones.

Membership Chair Dian Austin reported the 307 households are currently paid members of the Civic Club.

GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club will hold its next meeting at the GOMO office on July 12th and the topic is bamboo, as reported by Sheila Briones and Brenda de Alba.

GARDEN OAKS MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION (GOMO)

Section 2 Director Ed de Alba reported the next GOMO meeting would be held on July 19th.

OLD BUSINESS

The July 1st Bicycle Parade was well attended by approximately 200 participants and a great time was had by all.

City of Houston Councilmember Toni Lawrence presided as Grand Marshall of the parade. Wonderful photographs of the event were taken by Debbie Dishberger and can be viewed online (<http://www.gardenoaks.org/spotlight/parade2006/>).

National Night Out is scheduled for August 1st. Plan your block party and contact Carl Waters (gocop77018@aol.com or 713-864-1992) to be included in the neighborhood goings on.

NEW BUSINESS

The Civic Club will not meet in the month of August. Instead, join the goings on for National Night Out!

Councilmember Lawrence's office is contacting the railroad company in an effort to establish a quiet zone through our area to alleviate the horn noise from the trains.

DOOR PRIZE

Sandy Altman won a gift certificate to Home Depot. Congratulations, Sandy!

ATTENDANCE

A special welcome to new attendee, Section 2 resident Bryan Klein.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

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GOMO Notes

Ed de Alba

Members Meeting and Director Elections, October 3rd

The Annual GOMO Members Meeting will be held October 3rd. At that time we will hold elections for several directors' positions that are currently open or whose terms will end as of October 31st. As of this publication date there will be 1 seat open in Section 1 and 1 seat open in Section 5. Each of the positions has a 3 year term beginning November 1st.

If you are interested in joining GOMO please contact me at the number or email listed in the GOMO Directory in this issue of the Gazette before August 15th. The requirements of the position are:

- Must be 18 or older
- Must own property and live within the Garden Oaks Section for the Director's position that you are volunteering to stand election for
- If no Member residing in the Section stands for election, then a Member who is an owner in that Section, but lives in another Section, may stand for election as a "Non-Section Director", whose term is 1 year
- All property owned in Garden Oaks must be in compliance with the Garden Oaks Deed Restrictions, excluding violations that existed before your ownership of the property. Must sign a statement attesting to the above

Special Directors Election, September 5th

A special election will be held to fill the Section 1 GOMO directors position formerly held by Sheila Briones. The term for this position is through October 2007 and the requirements are the same as those listed above.

Recent Plan Approvals & Other Actions

400 Block W. 32nd – New Construction Halted, Side Setback Violation

300 Block W. 33rd – Remodel & Addition, Approved
 400 Block W. 33rd – New Construction, Approved
 500 Block W. 33rd – Back Porch, Approved
 200 Block W. 34th – Addition, Approved
 300 Block W. 34th – Remodel & Addition, Approved
 800 Block W. 41st – New Construction, Approved
 800 Block W. 42nd – New Construction, Approved
 700 Block W. 43rd – New Garage, Approved
 1000 Block Gardenia – New Construction, Side Setback Violation, Denied
 1000 Block Gardenia – Remodel & Addition, Approved
 1000 Block Gardenia – New Construction, Approved

As always, if you have any questions or comments please contact me or any of the other GOMO directors. Our names, phone numbers and addresses are listed in the GOMO directory in this issue of the Gazette.

Our Meetings are Open to All Members.

Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the GOMO office, 4001 N. Shepherd, Suite 216, at 7:00 PM. We also have a meeting dedicated to Plan Reviews, following the Civic Club Meeting at Garden Oaks Elementary.

**No Meeting
August 1st**

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1st place - #162 Kyle Girard

Many thanks to the following individuals and businesses for their support:

- Hartman & Associates for their generous gift of \$300
- Terry Jeanes, ReMax/METRO who also contributed \$100
- Debbie Dishberger, our "official parade photographer"
- Ed & Brenda de Alba for setting up the drink station
- The trio of judges consisting of Ralph & Charlotte Hayes and Casey Farris
- Garden Oaks Civic Club for their financial support
- Councilmember Toni Lawrence and her scheduler, Robert Quarles
- Little Rudy from Rudy's Sign Shop
- Lucy Lopez for helping number badges and assembling pinwheels
- Jesse Lopez for storing category signs in his garage for the past two years
- Jay & Shana Tatum for putting together 200 toy bags
- Trey & Stacey Wood for use of their red convertible Mercedes

Special thanks also go to all of the volunteers who gave of their time early Saturday morning:

Registration Table

Jan Forster
Susan Saranie
Sue Schmidt

Balloon Brigade

Teresa Garza
Lynn Sievers
Linda Sparks

Parade Route Marshals

Pete & Joan Baron
Ed & Brenda de Alba
Mike Dishberger
Wayne Forster
Craig Lee
Tina Nieto
Shelley Rogers
Patty Walters

Category Marshals

Charlie & Jane Kelso Winter

View additional parade photos on page 7 and also at the following web site: <http://www.gardenoaks.org/spotlight/spotlight.html>



Shelly Rogers and Barbara Balance visiting with parade participants.



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Randy Lemmon to Speak



Randy Lemmon, the host of Houston's GardenLine radio program, on Clear Channel's TalkRadio 950 KPRC will be the featured speaker at the September 5th Civic Club meeting.

Over 1.4 million Houstonians garden for a hobby or pastime, and GardenLine is where they listen for advice and information on gardening and landscaping. Every Saturday and Sunday 8 a.m.-noon, GardenLine's Randy Lemmon answers listeners' questions on everything from aphids to zoysias. He's Houston's absolute expert on lawns and gardens, offering help to listeners both with and without "green thumbs."

Randy has a Masters degree in Agriculture from Texas A&M and has been on the radio in Houston since 1995. He has the A&M fondness for chemicals, but he is also knowledgeable on organic approaches. His 1997 book, *Golfer's Guide to Gardening*, give hints of his unique approach to horticulture. Randy's knowledge is well anchored in both science and experience, and tempered with an awareness that gardening is not all there is to life.

Randy has just come out with a book entitled "Gulf Coast Gardening with Randy Lemmon," which is the first book in a new series he has authored, to be published on Our House Press. Two autographed books will be given away as door prizes at the Civic Club meeting. Those eligible to win are Civic Club and Garden Club paid members. So if you haven't already paid your membership, you can do so that night. If you aren't one of the two lucky winners, Randy will also be selling his book that night.

Randy's appearance is being sponsored by the Garden Oaks Civic Club and the Garden Oaks Garden Club.

Heard Under The Oak Tree

Terry Jeanes

Welcome new neighbors who recently joined the neighborhood.

938 West 43rd 1034 West 42nd
327 West 32nd 335 West 33rd
1546 Sue Barnett 838 Lamonte

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

Congratulations on these Birthdays and Celebrations.

Belated wishes to:
Jack Peden, July 10th

August birthdays:

Gracie Marie Mulry, 9th
Warren Walden, 14th
Trey Wood, 19th
Matt Veech, 22nd.
Tony Padon, 23rd
Bridgette Martinez, 26th
Emma Kathryn Carvell and Debbie Padon, the 28th

*Congratulations go out Carl Waters for his special 50th Birthday on August 29th, He celebrated early with wife Leslie and good friends Karen and Mike in Maui the first week of the month **And Happy Anniversary to Pat Buron and Shelly Rogers 8/05.***

Seen in the Travel section and other related news... Tom Peden, Margaret Rudd and children Jack and Alice Peden just returned from a family vacation in Colorado. Terry Jeanes, yours truly, just returned from a fabulous trip to Utah, Wyoming, Montana, and Alberta Canada. Seeing the fabulous Grand Tetons, Yellowstone, and Glacier National Parks. White water rafting, fly fishing, horseback riding, and lots of hiking were high on the agenda. Condolences to Mel Johnson on the recent passing of her father.

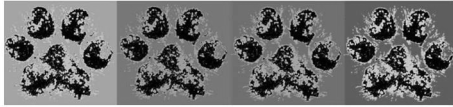
Get well Soon to Warren Carlson, Jo Bewley and Michelle Cirilo.

To highlight an event or celebration or other tidbit, contact Terry Jeanes at 713-812-9154 or terry@terryjeanes.com.

Pictures From "The Spirit of America" Bicycle Parade



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Citizens Patrol Program

Carl Waters Jr.

Don't forget Tuesday, August 1, 2006 is National Night Out. Get together with your neighbors to help keep crime of Garden Oaks. If you are hosting a party, please contact Civic Club President Sheila Briones, Terry Jeanes or myself to share your information.

The HPD Crime statistics for May reflected what had been on the Yahoo List Serve and discussed in my article last month. Fourteen crimes were reported in the month of May. Even with that higher than normal total we still have had one less reported crime so far this year than we did through May of last year.

Another source of concern for our neighborhood is the Carter's Grove Apartments located on North Shepherd at 34th St. One homicide and five assaults were reported in the complex during the month of May.

May Crime Statistics (14):

Burglary (9):

- 3100 block of N. Shepherd on Saturday, May 6th at 10:00 p.m. (Restaurant)
- 800 block of W. 42nd St. on Monday, May 8th at 10:45 p.m. (Garage)
- 3200 block of N. Shepherd on Wednesday, May 10th at 8:00 p.m. (Auto Repair Shop)
- 700 block of Sue Barnett on Wednesday, May 17th at 5:30 p.m. (Garage)
- 3400 block of N. Shepherd on Saturday, May 20th at 1:00 p.m. (Warehouse)
- 200 block of W. 30th St. on Saturday, May 20th at 2:35 p.m. (Residence)
- 800 block of W. 41st St. on Wednesday, May 24th at 11:00 a.m. (Residence)
- 700 block of W. 39th St. on Wednesday, May 31st at 4:00 a.m. (Residence)

Burglary of a Motor Vehicle (3):

- 1500 block of Sue Barnett on Friday, May 12th at 9:19 a.m.

(Driveway)

- 3100 blocks of N. Shepherd on Thursday, May 18th at Noon (Restaurant Parking Lot)
- 500 block of W. 34th St. on Thursday, May 25th at 10:00 a.m. (Public Street)

Auto Theft (1):

- 2900 block of N. Durham on Monday, May 8th at 10:00 p.m. (Public Street)

Narcotics Arrest (1):

- 700 block of W. 43rd St. on Monday, May 8th at 12:37 p.m. (Public Street)

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 GOCOP77018@AOL.com. or by phone at 713-864-1992. Be Safe Everyone!

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HPD Non Emergency Services
713-884-3131

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311

Constable Dispatch
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Critter Corner

Casey and Mau Mau Farris

Hi Neighbors!

Summer vacations are in full swing and if you are thinking about taking your pet along this vacation, a little planning is essential, so this month we talk about traveling with pets. Our Pet of the Month is a frequent traveler as he visits his grandparents in Austin regularly.

Pet of the Month: "Mr. August" is Kiki Howard, a seven year old Sheltie who lives in Section V with his mother, Jolie, and his kitty cat, Louie (orange Tabby). Kiki was adopted from the Houston Sheltie Sanctuary at age four. Kiki is a very busy guy as he goes to daycare once a week, has a midday walker four days a week, and often visits his grandparents in Austin on the weekends. Kiki is a big talker and he loves his kitty cat and mail time. When his mother is home from work he likes to play "in and out." This is a game where Jolie opens the back door and Kiki goes out then a few minutes later she opens the back door and Kiki comes back inside. This is a fun game and Kiki will play until Jolie quits. He also loves peanut butter chewies and Greenies. Kiki does not like to drink water from a community bowl and insists on his very own water bowl wherever he goes. Kiki and his family are a delightful new addition to Garden Oaks. Rock on Kiki!

Critters 101: Have Pets Will Travel
The more travelers on a trip, the likelier you will run into complications, and adding a pet to a vacation takes a little extra preparation. Most of us get motion sickness now and then. Pets, especially inexperienced travelers, can also get carsick. If your pet is not used to traveling, ease him into the travel routine by taking short trips in the car and build up to longer ones. Most pets with motion sickness grow out of it as they get used to riding in the car. A full tummy can contribute to motion sickness, so do not give your pet any food for eight hours before a trip or water for two hours before heading out. Keep in mind that heat can make your pet feel worse, so make sure he is getting enough fresh, cool air during the trip. Playing with his favorite toys can help distract him from his upset tummy and

regular bathroom and water breaks will keep you both more comfortable.

It is important for your pet to wear his collar with identification at all times. The tag should list his name, your name, home address, and telephone number. If you are going on an extended vacation, buy a temporary tag that lists the address and telephone number of the place where you will be staying. If your pet does get lost, contact local shelters, animal control agencies and veterinarians. Bring along a current photo of your pet so you can show people what he looks like. You can also post the photos around the area where he got lost. Better yet, keep your pet on a leash when he is outside.

Make sure your pet is up to date on his vaccinations and bring along his medical records. Before you set out, ask your veterinarian to recommend a veterinary clinic in the area you will be staying or call the American Animal Hospital Association for a referral at 800-252-2242. Remember to protect your pet against fleas, and ticks, and whatever else the new area might contain and bring along your own drinking water.

Make sure your pet is welcome if you plan to stop along the way. Many hotels and motels will accept animals, but it is a good idea to book ahead. Check with your local AAA PetBooks or www.petswelcome.com for pet-friendly accommodations.

Try not to travel in extreme weather conditions and never ever leave a pet in a parked car. With a little care and forethought, your pet will become a world-class traveler in no time. Bone Voyage!

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 or call 713-688-6363.

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Go Kids Potluck

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July's GO Kids Potluck Party was a huge success -- thanks to Aimee and Tyler Flood for their consummate hosting!

Rick and Tonya Knauth will host an August Potluck Party on August 26th at their home, 709 W. 41st, from 4 - 7 pm. Bring your family and favorite dish! Adult and children's beverages will be provided, and there will be splash activities for the kids.

GO Kids was started by a group of parents who want to build a family-friendly neighborhood where children and parents know each other and grow together -- all Garden Oaks families are welcome! Please RSVP to the Knauths at (713) 628-8243, or just show up!



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Beatification Update

Ed & Brenda de Alba

Upcoming Workdays:

Rose Garden – September 16th, 9:00 AM, 34th and Lawrence, Section 1

Triangle Park – October 14th, 9:00 AM, Alba and Azalea, Section 3

We have scheduled 2 workdays for later this year. Please mark your calendars and join us for weeding, maintaining, and mulching these parks. No prior experience necessary and time commitment is only a few hours.

Recent Workdays:

The Rose Garden was weeded and mulched at the end of June by 3 intrepid volunteers- Sheila Briones, Shelley Rogers, and Ron Sorum. The sprinkler system controller was also replaced.

Scott Easterly and Bill Holden both spent 9 blazingly hot mid July hours attacking potato vine and other nefarious weeds in the Gazebo Park. They

plan to host a neighborhood night out gathering for that part of the neighborhood in the park.

The Randall Berm also got spruced up by Matt Roesler and 2 assistants. They cleaned out lots of trash and weeds.

When driving by any of these green spaces please take a moment to appreciate just how nice they look.

Brenda and I aren't able ourselves to express enough thanks to the people who volunteer to maintain the many greenspaces we are so fortunate to have here in Garden Oaks. So if you happen to run into one of the volunteers please thank them for their efforts on all our behalves.



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Constable Program

by Terry Jeanes & Susan Love – Saranie

Congratulations first to Deputy Richard Smith, who was recently promoted to Sergeant within Precinct One Constable's office. He recently moved and is overseeing activities just north of Pine-mont to 249. Deputy Smith said despite it being very difficult to leave the Garden Oaks community, the best was ending his 15month term here overseeing the children and the neighbors of the neighborhood during the July Bike Parade. He promises to be back through occassionally to check on the area he felt so at home in.

Deputy Smith's promotion made room for our newest contract officer, Deputy David Vest. Deputy Vest joins us from the south portion of the Precinct and has been in law enforcement 2 years. He is an Alvin, Texas native and recently was with the Fredericksburg Police Department for 1 year before moving back to Houston. Vest obtained his degree in Criminal Justice from Sam Houston State University. Deputy Vest was also involved with 4H and FFA. Previous he was a manager for Caven-dars. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with his folks on their 100 acres near Grosbeck hunting and fishing.

A reminder to all area residents you are the additional eyes and ears for the success of our program. Please be alert and call constable dispatch 713 755 7628 on any suspicious activity. Your call could make a difference.

Constable Program benefits include:

- 40 hours of a designated Harris County Constable
- Vacation watch by Harris County Constable. Forms available at: <http://www.gardenoaks.org/Resources/ContributorForm.pdf>
- Security check for insurance discount
- Alarm contact/ response by Harris County Constable
- Perceived value by prospective new neighbors considering buying in Garden Oaks because the neighbors

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