

# GARDEN OAKS GAZETTE

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## GAZETTE EDITOR NEEDED

**Immediate Help Needed to Keep Our Neighborhood  
Publication in Production**

*by Jessica Jarvis*

**H**elp Needed: A willing volunteer is needed to take over the position of Editor for the Garden Oaks Gazette.

Did you know that Garden Oaks published its first *Gazette* in November of 1977 after editor, Susan McMillian, came up with an excellent way to put to use the mimeograph machine brought home by her husband Bill? That's 35 years of *Gazettes!* As of this writing we have had no volunteers come forward to take over as Editor of the *Gazette*. Until some willing soul does, or several persons do, the *Gazette* will go unproduced.

*The only requirement is a willingness to learn how to edit, layout, and publish a monthly Newsletter and coordinate closely with the Ad Manager to service our ever growing list of advertisers.*

While no real experience is necessary, some exposure to a design and layout program would be helpful but can very easily be learned and a program of your choosing could certainly be provided if needed. While I have a design background, when I began I had no layout experience except literally laying out my high school paper by hand many many years ago. I currently use Adobe InDesign which revolutionized my editing efforts. Other editors have used Publisher and there are many more software options available.

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## JUNE 2012

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Civic Club Meeting**  
**June 5, 7 p.m. Civic Club Meeting**  
Garden Oaks Elementary School

When the moon hits your eye like a big pizza pie...it's time for the Garden Oaks Civic Club June meeting, when Brother's Pizzeria on Shepherd will be providing some pizzas in honor of Tuesday's nearly full moon.

### UPCOMING CIVIC CLUB MEETING

**July 3, 7 p.m. Civic Club Meeting**  
Garden Oaks Elementary School

**Red, White and Blue July 4th  
Bicycle Parade**  
Wednesday July 4, 10:00 am at the  
SPARK Park.

### VOLUNTEER NEEDED!

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**HEARD UNDER THE OAK TREE**

by Terry Jeanes

**Welcome New Neighbors**

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

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- 938 West 43<sup>rd</sup>**     **1059 West 43<sup>rd</sup>**
- 1066 Lamonte**     **1435 Sue Barnett**

**June Birthdays**

- Andrew Balance** - 1
- Stephen Syzdek** -4
- Rebecca Stark and Tina Parks Rowe**-5
- Shana Tatum** - 21
- Antonio Ramirez** - 23

**Happy Anniversary**

- Janice & Warren Walden** -22

**Welcome**

Congratulations to Beautification Chair

**Kimberly Baumann Horowitz** and her husband **David** who became the proud parents of twins, **William David Horowitz** and **Caroline Taylor Horowitz**.

**Congratulations**

Special congratulations to **Bill Holden** on his recent graduation from HCC. Congratulations to **Ed** and **Brenda de Alba** on their backyard and pond being featured in the Houston Pond Society Annual Water Garden and Pond Tour just weeks after being featured on the Garden Oaks Home and Garden Tour.

**Out and About**

**George Appling** and **Brian O'Leary** hosted a fabulous house concert featuring Poor Man's Fortune. **Mel Johnson** recently visited Roda de Isabena, Espana. **Tina Rowe** enjoyed a recent visit to Pennsylvania and toured Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater. **Tina Beddow** and her Green Trails Mid Life Crisis team won the sportsmanship award at the recent West Houston

Ladies Tennis Association. **Dian Austin** and **Sandy Altman** recently attended a niece's graduation from Vassar.

**Special Thoughts and Condolences** **Michael Beard** and **James Flowers** on the loss of their beloved pet, Jackson Beard Flowers on May 7.

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

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**CITIZENS' PATROL PROGRAM**

by Carl Waters, Jr.

Since the first of the year we have added five new patrollers to the program. My thanks to the new patrollers and the current patrol members on their commitment to making Garden Oaks a safer place to live.

Last month a man was killed driving the wrong way on Shepherd fleeing from the police. The man was suspected of stealing tires from a vehicle in the neighborhood and had been reported to 911. Again I encourage anyone who sees crime happening to report it. Please do not get involved beyond reporting it to the authorities. You never know what the person involved is thinking or to what extent he or she may go to protect their freedom.

There were some questions on the Garden Oaks list serve about the Trayvon Martin/George Zimmerman case in Florida. I don't know what the rules are in Florida, but had Mr. Zimmerman been involved with HPD/ Garden Oaks program he would have

been in violation of the program rules. Citizen Patrollers here are not allowed to carry weapons of any kind and we don't do foot patrols. Even if the patroller has a concealed handgun license from the State of Texas, they may not carry it while patrolling. Our job as citizen patrollers is to observe and report - nothing more.

**April Crime Statistics: 8**

**Assault: 1**

1000 block of W. 43rd St. on Sunday, April 1st at 1:20 a.m. (residence).

**Burglary: 3**

1000 block of W. 41st St. on Monday, April 2nd at 8:06 p.m. (garage).  
 3300 block of N. Shepherd Dr. on Saturday, April 14th at 11:00 a.m. (Auto Repair).  
 900 block of W 41st St. on Saturday, April 21st at 6:00 p.m. (residence).

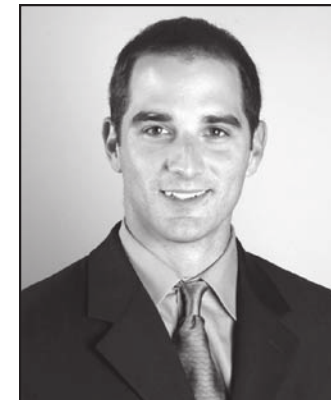
**Theft: 4**

900 block of Sue Barnett Dr. on Monday, April 9th at 5:12 p.m. (street).  
 3200 block of N. Shepherd Dr. on Tuesday, April 10th at 3:35 p.m. (day care center).

900 block of Lamonte Ln. on Thursday, April 12th at midnight (driveway).  
 800 block of W. 42nd St. on Monday, April 16th at 1:42 p.m. (residence).

Inquiries 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](mailto:GOCOP77018@AOL.com) or by phone at 713.864.1992.

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**GO CIVIC CLUB MEETING MINUTES**

by Mark Klein, President

**May 1, 2012**

**Welcome:** President Mark Klein called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm. The vote to accept the April 2012 minutes was delayed to the June meeting.

**President's Announcements:**

On April 18, **Beautification Chair** Kimberly Baumann Horowitz and her husband David became the proud parents of twins, William David Horowitz and Caroline Taylor Horowitz. **3rd Annual Garden Oaks Old Fashioned Picnic, 1 p.m. Sunday May 20:** Terry Jeanes will host the third annual neighborhood picnic at the SPARK Park, with whiffle ball, races, washers, tetherball, and the famous Garden Oaks diaper derby. Competitive events start at 1:30 p.m., with the egg toss, balloon and sack races for all age divisions and teams. **Public Works:** The GOCC worked with City's Public Works & Engineering (PWE) and water line contractor Rick Collins of Collins Construction to halt scheduled line replacement work and then to perform some clean-up in time to keep the streets accessible for the Garden Oaks 2012 Home Tour. **Gazette Editor Jessica Jarvis** was recognized for her tremendous volunteer work as editor of the Gazette during the past four years. Under her leadership, the Gazette has grown remarkably, adding advertisers, editorial and pages. Ms. Jarvis's diligent efforts have grown the Gazette into a gem among civic club

**GOMO Review Meetings**

take place prior to Civic Club meetings at 6:30p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month and at 7pm on the third Wednesday of the month. Meetings are open to anyone interested in attending. Additional information about the Garden Oaks Maintenance Organization is online at GardenOaks.org. Property owners in Sections 1, 2, 3 and 5 are all members of the Garden Oaks Maintenance Organization.

publications. Thank you, Jessica!  
**Garden Oaks 2012 Home Tour, Footprints & Blueprints, Update:** Preliminary estimates indicate the 2012 GOHT raised approximately \$26,000 to support GOCC activities. President and Home Tour Co-chair Klein thanked the 140 neighborhood volunteers who worked hard to hold a successful tour. Also praised were the sponsors who supported the tour. President Klein then thanked Home Tour Co-Chair Brenda de Alba for stepping up to help lead this year's tour, with a resourceful and tireless contribution over the past several months.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Phil Ramirez reviewed the April financials.

**GODAT Update:** For security updates, the GODAT team is working several emails that have bounced back undeliverable.

**Standing Committee Reports**

**GO Citizens Patrol:** Carl Waters, Jr. reported eight crimes in the neighborhood during April: one assault, three burglaries and four thefts. The assault was reported in the 1000 block of W. 43rd St. (residence), at 1:20 a.m. April 1. The burglaries occurred in the 1000 block of W. 41st St. (garage), 8:06 p.m. Monday, April 2; 3300 block of N. Shepherd Dr., 11 a.m. Saturday, April 14 (auto repair shop); 900 block of W. 41st St., 6 p.m. Saturday, April 21 (residence). The thefts were reported in the 900 block of Sue Barnett, 5:12 p.m. Monday, April 9 (street); 3200 block N. Shepherd Dr., 3:35 p.m. Tuesday, April 10 (daycare); 900 block of Lamonte, midnight Thursday, April 12 (driveway); and 800 block of W. 42nd St., 1:42 p.m. Monday, April 15 (residence). Mr. Waters announced a new Garden Oaks Citizens on Patrol volunteer and asked residents to help prevent crime by volunteering. Patrollers do not carry guns. Neighborhood patrol groups such as GOCOP can be highly effective tools in preventing crime. To volunteer, please contact gocop@gardenoaks.org.

**Constable Program:** Terry Jeanes

discussed the police chase that began with a wheel theft in the 800 block of 41st St., at 4:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 1. The chase ended in a deadly head-on collision at N. Shepherd and the north Loop. Police say the driver of a white Honda was seen stealing tires from a Garden Oaks residence. Officers responded and began chasing the suspect. The suspect apparently lost control and hit a pickup truck before slamming into a box truck. The 21-year-old male driver of the Honda died at the scene. Ms. Jeanes also reported one break-in for Shepherd Park Plaza, and a report of criminal mischief with a broken window in the 1400 block of Sue Barnett. Ms. Jeanes reminded everyone to stay vigilant. If anything looks unusual, call the Houston Police or Constable to report suspicious activity or people: (713) 884-3131 Constable; Non-emergency Houston Police Department (713) 775-7628.

**Beautification:** Kimberly Horowitz reported via President Klein that all the GOCC green spaces were mowed and tidied up before home tour. President Klein thanked the Garden Club for performing needed work on the

Friendship Garden prior to the tour. On behalf of Ms. Horowitz, President Klein gave a special "thank you" to Shaun Spear for removing a dead tree in the rose garden across from Graham Park.

**GO Gazette:** Jessica Jarvis announced she was stepping down as editor of the Gazette after four years. The search is on for an editor and assistant editor. The June issue will be Ms. Jarvis' last, so an editor is needed immediately. Ms. Jarvis has agreed to assist the new editor. Please contact gazette@gardenoaks.org or president@gardenoaks.org if you or someone you know could help the neighborhood continue what is an important publication.

**Garden Oaks.org Website:** No update  
**Membership:** Teresa Coleman won the monthly drawing for a \$25 gift card.

**GOMO Update:** No update.

**Garden Oaks Elementary School Update:** Lindsey Pollock updated the GOCC on recent school activities.

President Klein adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

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**RED, WHITE AND BLUE JULY 4th BICYCLE PARADE**

by Will and Deanna Zugheri

Garden Oaks 2012 Red, White, and Blue Parade is scheduled for Wednesday, July 4, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at Rick Englert SPARK Park on Sue Barnett, with pre-registration beginning at 9:30 a.m.

With the enormous patriotic spirit that is in this community, it is expected that anyone who is not in the parade will be on the street cheering. Bring a lawn chair and find a seat along the parade route.

First, second and third place prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

- Strollers & Wagons
- Tricycles
- Youth bicycles
- Adult bicycles
- Floats

Refreshments will be served after the parade.

Volunteers are needed to work the registration table, serve as judges, parade marshals and photographers.

If you are interested in helping, contact Deanna Zugheri at Deanna@GardenOaksHomes.com or 281.658.4514.



**EDITOR NEEDED continued from pg 1**

While being the Gazette Editor is a volunteer position in service of the Civic Club you can make it your own.

One of the nice things that you'll find when you take over as editor is that the publication is all yours. Looking back at issues by previous editors, you can see that the Gazette has grown and changed with each editor and they have all imparted their unique "touch." How the Gazette will look and what articles you choose to solicit when you are the editor will be entirely up to you.

Being Gazette editor has been a wonderful opportunity for me. It began my involvement with the civic club, and led me to meet many of my neighbors here in Garden Oaks and form lasting friendships with so many of them. I enjoyed growing with the Gazette and putting out what I always endeavored to be a quality publication and one that I hope most all of you enjoyed. Thanks to all who have supported me throughout the years. I couldn't have done it without you!

For more information on the Gazette Editor position please contact me at [gazette@gardenoaks.org](mailto:gazette@gardenoaks.org) or 713.446.6440.



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**Terry Jeanes**

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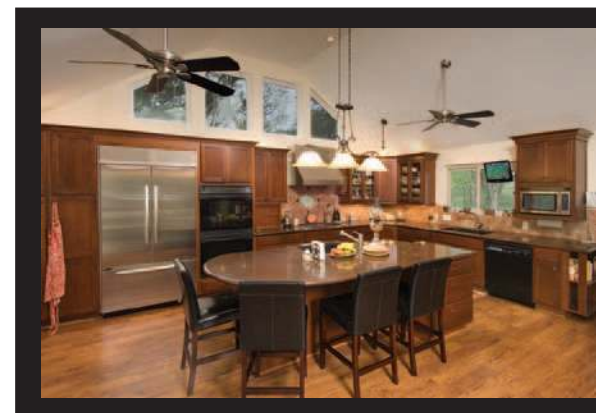
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**COME JOIN THE "A GO-GOs" FIRST MEETING A SUCCESS Support Group for family and friends with loved ones who have Alzheimer's Disease or Dementia**

The first meeting of the Alzheimer's Group of Garden Oaks (A Go-Go) was held on May 7 and was a happy success! Tina Sabuco, the foundress and facilitator of the group, was very pleased at the turn out. "We have nine members so far with six of us being present for the first meeting. Everyone shared their stories regarding what brought them to the meeting. We all felt an immediate bond and agreed that we are all looking forward to our monthly meetings." Some of the comments after the meeting included:

- "I felt a weight lift off of my heart and I don't feel so alone anymore!"
- "The meeting was very nice and comforting."

- "Your home provided such a warm, loving place to hold our meeting."

The next meeting will be held Monday June 4. Please arrive between 6:30 and 7:00 as the meeting will begin promptly at 7:00pm. The meeting will be held at 859 Azalea Street, at the home of Tina Sabuco. In addition to being a support group, experts on aging will occasionally be invited to speak to the group.

**General info about the group**

The group will be meeting on the first Monday of each month, unless posted otherwise. In Tina's words, "We are calling our group "A Go-Go" which stands for Alzheimer's Group of Garden Oaks. I liked how A Go-Go sounded and then I looked up the definition and this is what I found 'À gogo, often Anglicized as A Go-Go, is a French expression meaning "in abundance, galore". I thought, isn't

it nice to think that we all are "in abundance, galore" re: so much; the support that we'll be getting and giving; the love that we get and give from our family and friends; etc. I'm sure we'll be able to think of even more 'a go-gos' as our group grows!"

If you are interested in joining us, feel free to just show up. Or, if you'd like to rsvp or have any questions, contact Tina at [goddess@abundanceretreat.com](mailto:goddess@abundanceretreat.com) or 713.692.6778.

**GARDEN OAKS NEWS**

Timely information about information and events can be found on the Garden Oaks Yahoo group which can be found at [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Houston\\_GO](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Houston_GO).

Also join us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/groups/35914307130/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/35914307130/)



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**JOIN US AT THE JUNE CIVIC CLUB FOR FREE PIZZA!**

**June 5, 7 p.m.** aks Elementary School

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**GO KIDS UPDATE**

by Kristin Jordan

Saturday, April 28 was our first annual crawfish boil – potluck. Thank you to our sponsors Terry Jeanes and State Farm. Thank you also to the Odinet family for cooking up some delish mudbugs for the whole neighborhood, and to Garden Oaks Elementary for volunteering power and bathroom facilities. We hosted over 30 families from Garden Oaks, chatted with many new friends, and enjoyed a beautiful



day at the park. **Save the Date for our Back to School Potluck on August 18, 11 am at Jaycee Park.**

**Upcoming Events  
Mom's Night Out - June 7 – Corkscrew 7:30pm**

Join us for a fun ladies night out on June 7th – The Corkscrew 1308 West 20th Street - 7:30pm til ???

**Friday Fun Day – June 29 – Bellaire Town Square Family Aquatic Center 9:30am – 12:30am**

Come join us for a swim day at the Bellaire Aquatic Center! There are slides, fountains, and even waterfalls to splash and swim under! The water is fairly shallow and the entire pool is made out of squishy foam that is soft underfoot. There are plenty of lifeguards on duty but feel free to bring additional friends and family! Any flotation device that is not coast guard approved is not

allowed (noodles, baby floats etc). It is \$10 a person ages 3 and older. Children 2 and under are free!

**Playgroups – GO Babies** is having play dates every two weeks, so watch your calendar for some fun mommy and baby time!

**GO Buddies** - Special Yoga Playgroup for 2-5 yr olds - Thu Jun 28, 2012, 4–5 pm Join us for a special Family Yoga Class at Houston Yoga Collective - the new studio in the Garden Oaks Shopping Center (www.houstonyogacollective.com). The price is \$10 per family. Please RSVP to me and let me know how many kiddos you will be bringing. Please arrive around 345pm so that we can start on time. Wear comfy clothes; the studio has mats to borrow.

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**All-Ages Playgroup**-Saturday June 9th 10am – 11am at the Garden Oaks Elementary Spark Park.

**Group Information**

**Cookbook** –Order today at GardenOaksCooks.com. All proceeds go to the Garden Oaks Constable Program.

**Bouncy House** – We are still collecting bouncy house money. It is a \$30 donation.

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Our website continues to grow; we now offer information on contributing to our annual bouncy house fund, and purchasing your Garden Oaks Cookbook. Check it out and share with your friends.

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**Dinner Drops**

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is, please contact our Dinner Drop coordinator, Angelica Sullivan, at [angelicapuerto@hotmail.com](mailto:angelicapuerto@hotmail.com) and she'll set you right up.

*GO Kids was started by a group of parents who wanted to build a family friendly neighborhood where children and parents know each other and grow together. All Garden Oaks families are welcome. Not on the GO Kids list serve? Want more information about GO Kids? Contact Kristin Jordan ([kriki@me.com](mailto:kriki@me.com)) or Ashley Henke ([ashleymariehenke@gmail.com](mailto:ashleymariehenke@gmail.com)) for all the details.*



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AIR CONDITIONING TIPS FOR THE SPRING

by Mitch Weigand

Tip No. 25: Why Indoor Air Quality is Important - Part One

Indoor air quality affects us in a big way. In Houston, we spend 90% or more of our daily hours inside our homes and places of work. Unfortunately, indoor air can be many times more polluted than the air outside.

Sources of indoor air-pollution gases are cooking, off-gassing from carpet and furnishings, household cleaning chemicals, dry cleaning chemicals in clothes, pest extermination and more. Particulates include dust, mites, pollen, mold spores, fungi, bacteria, smoke and grease from cooking, pet hair and dander and tobacco smoke. The task of air filtration is to remove unwanted gases and particles from the air. This, along with ventilation and humidity control, make indoor air safe and comfortable.

Persons most susceptible to indoor air pollution include infants and toddlers, the elderly and individuals suffering from chronic illnesses such as asthma or cardiovascular disease.

The ways air filters work

Unlike a mini-split air conditioning system which focuses on the air quality in one or two rooms, your central air conditioning system is considered a "whole house" air filtration system. Its main purpose is to correct air filtration and flow and eliminate undesirable gases and particles.

The most basic mechanical function of the air filter in your A/C system is to remove airborne particles that would otherwise clog or damage the system's coils. While doing so, the filter must allow the required minimum volume of air to pass through to prevent the coils from freezing or the heat exchangers to overheat. Failing to maintain the correct flow, either from using the

wrong type of air filter element which restricts air flow or a dirty, clogged filter, will cost you in efficiency, increase your utility bills and eventually shorten the life of the system.

However, by using the correct filter and replacing it monthly, the A/C system can condition your home's air at optimum efficiency, removing undesirable gases and particles. In turn, you and your family will experience improved quality in the air you breathe every day.

This topic will be continued in next month's *Garden Oaks Gazette*.

Mitch is the owner of Air Wise™ and a member of the Garden Oaks Civic Club. You can email Mitch with any A/C questions at [mitch@airwisehouston.com](mailto:mitch@airwisehouston.com) or write to 1590 Sue Barnett Drive, Houston, TX 77018. All of his previous columns from the *Garden Oaks Gazette* can be found at [www.airwisehouston.com](http://www.airwisehouston.com).

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**REMINISCING OVER FOUR YEARS AS GAZETTE EDITOR**

by Jessica Jarvis

June marks a full four years that I have been editor of the *Gazette*. And while this is far from the longest tenure of anyone serving in our wonderful community, it seems to be a logical end to my season in this role. Over the last four years I have edited over 731 articles from many different authors, some of them familiar from contributing over all four years and many of them new names and faces. I have personally created over 65 ads, with 20 -30 total ads on average every month. I have cropped and prepped hundreds and hundreds of photos and worked to change up the look of the *Gazette* based on season and events.

Over the past four years there have been:

- Three civic club presidents
- Three ad managers
- Three proofreaders (Dian Austin has been with me for my entire tenure)
- Two Home Tours
- Three Wine Walks
- Four national nights out
- Four 4th of July Bicycle parades
- One very kind printer (thanks, Oscar!)

Some highlights from the last four years include:

- **July 2008** My first proofing, editing and layout collaboration takes place with James Burciaga under Sheila Briones' tutelage. (The *Gazette* is 12 pages with 15 advertisers.)
- **September 2008** Hurricane Ike strikes and delays the October *Gazette* printing and distribution because we had no power! (I was personally without power for 18 days.)
- **November 2008** The first photo of the month is included.
- **February 2009** The *Gazette* increases to 16 pages and Tim Merritt

joined as ad manager. Together we revamp ad policies and work to make the *Gazette* a revenue-generating publication. Efforts toward receiving Quiet Zone designation begin.

- **March 2009** The *Gazette* reaches 20 pages with increased advertisers (now 20) and article submissions.
- **May 2009** James resigns as layout designer as he moves from Garden Oaks.
- **June 2009** Color versions of the *Gazette* are created for online viewing.
- **July 2009** The first Old Fashioned Picnic.
- **September 2009** Planning for the 2010 Home Tour begins.
- **October 2009** The first GO Wine Walk sells out.
- **December 2009** Tim steps down as ad manager and I resume filling both roles.
- **April 2010** The *Gazette* reaches 24 pages and 3 inserts! The 2010 Home Tour nets \$35K for the civic club.
- **June 2010** Kristin Strange volunteers to be ad manager.
- **July 2010** Call for an assistant editor/editing support
- **September 2010** Mayor Annise Parker visits the GOCC.
- **October 2010** The *Gazette* has 31 advertisers: 11 half-page ads, 2 full-page ads, and 3 inserts; HISD votes to transition GOES to be an all-Montessori campus; Wine Walk nets over \$8k for the constable patrol program.
- **November 2010** "GO Cooks" cookbook available for purchase in support of the constable patrol program.
- **February 2011** Frank Black Middle School renewal with Le Tour de Black.
- **February/March 2011** GO DAT technology initiative requirements-gathering begins.
- **June 2011** Construction on the new gazebo at the Gazebo Park is well under way.
- **July 2011** Carol Smith resigns as

proofreader as she moves from Garden Oaks.

- **October 2011** Wine Walk nets over \$10K for the constable program.
- **October 2011** Kristin Strange resigns as ad manager to focus on her soon-to-arrive baby.
- **November 2011** Elizabeth Klein takes over as ad manager with 33 advertisers.
- **April 2012** The 2012 Home Tour nets nearly \$26K for the civic club.
- **June 2012** A new *Gazette* editor is needed!

Thanks to all the wonderful people who have taken time to share their articles, photos and ideas with me over the years, some only once and many consistently every month. I especially want to thank Oscar Ochoa, our printer, who has been a delight to work with, always offering kind and energetic support of my work. I also want to specifically thank Dian Austin, who has read every single article and looked over every *Gazette* with a careful eye. I am so grateful to her for always making time to help and offering great suggestions and ideas, not to mention support and encouragement.

Finally, my volunteer efforts would not have been possible without the support of my darling husband who has read countless articles, served as my go-to grammar consultant and even stepped up to pen an article when I needed to fill some space. More importantly, he has tolerated many a night, weekend, and even quite a few vacations as I worked to assemble the *Gazette* each month.

As I've stated many times, my work on the *Gazette* has given me a deeper love and appreciation of Garden Oaks than I ever would have experienced had I not chosen to volunteer. I look forward to continuing to serve in new ways and I look forward to seeing what the *Gazette* becomes under its new leadership.

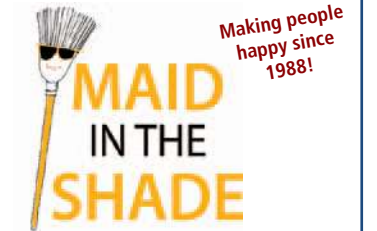
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Half Page 7 ½ W X 4 ½ H	\$110.00	\$550.00	\$1065.00
Full Page 7 ½ W x 9 ½ H	\$180.00	\$900.00	\$1745.00
Half Page Back Cover	\$150.00	\$750.00	
Full Page Back Cover	\$225.00	\$1125.00	

Inserts (full page only, single sided) \$180.00  
 Inserts (double sided) \$225.00

1. Placement of the ad is at the discretion of the editor.
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**CRITTER CORNER**

by Casey and Dorothy Dan Farris

June 11, 2012 is a day that could change everything for 10,411 companion animals across the United States. It is a day that could change the world and transform our country into a "No Kill" nation because it will mark the first ever "Just One Day" national event. This month Dorothy and I talk about this no kill movement.

**Critters 101: What is a Day? Just One Day.**

The "Just One Day" campaign is working towards a national day of no kill in animal shelters across the United States. The campaign asks animal shelters to take the pledge not to kill any savable animals on June 11. The City of Houston's Bureau of Animal Regulation and Care (BARC) has taken the pledge and will be participating. On June 11, 2012, participating shelters will market their animals to the public. They will reach out to rescue groups. They will host adoption events with discounted rates; they will stay open for extended hours, and they will ask their communities to help them empty the shelter the good way.

On average, if each animal shelter in the USA adopts out or transfers to rescue groups an extra three animals on June 11, the USA can become a no kill nation, even if it is for "Just One Day." And if we can do it then, we can also do it on June 12 for just another day.

Two decades ago, the concept of a no-kill community was little more than a dream. Today, it is a reality in many cities and counties nationwide and the numbers continue to grow. The first step in each of those communities has been a decision, a commitment to reject the kill-oriented failures of the past. No kill starts as an act of will. The next step involves putting in place the infrastructure to save lives. Data shows that every year there are six times more people looking to acquire a dog or cat than there are pets being killed in

shelters.

To learn more about the no kill philosophy, equation and "Just One Day" campaign, see [www.nokilladvocacycenter.org](http://www.nokilladvocacycenter.org) or you can like them on Facebook. Search for No Kill Advocacy Center.

Also, the Heights year-round no kill shelter, Friends For Life, will be moving into their new LEED-certified green, no kill shelter on June 2. For more information visit [www.nokill1.org](http://www.nokill1.org).

**Pet of the Month:**

The June Pets of the Month are the comedic duo. Deuce and Beatie Zaunbrecher. They live in Section I with their humans, Leslie, Kris, Jack and Charlie.

Deuce (black Lab) is nine years old and Beatie (miniature Schnauzer) is 12 years young. Deuce is a master hunter now and still goes on duck hunts with his Dad. Deuce doesn't have a mean bone in his body and loves everyone that he meets while also being an excellent guard dog. Now that Deuce is getting older, most of his days are spent lounging in the sun or in a nice shady spot when it is hot.

Beatie (like Warren Beatty) is salt and pepper colored and is only 14 pounds, but he thinks he is a Doberman. He still has tons of spunk and attitude and loves to bark at the squirrels and birds outside. If only he could catch one! Beatie loves to snuggle and curl up on the couch with his humans. He's also an excellent guard dog and doesn't let a leaf fall without alerting the household. Even though Deuce is about 60 pounds heavier than him, Beatie still rules the roost. Deuce and Beatie provide lots of laughs for their family. See pet photos at [www.godogusa.com/petofmonth](http://www.godogusa.com/petofmonth).

Casey Farris is owner/operator of Bone Voyage Pet Sitting Services and Go Dog USA. Dorothy Dan 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.



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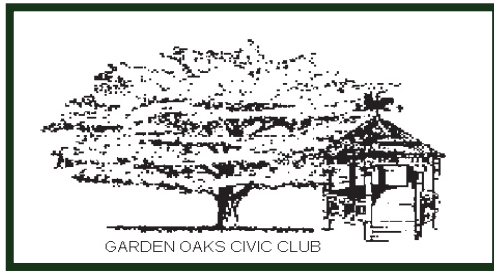
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January - December 2012

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**Garden Oaks Civic Club**

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# JUNE 2012

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3	4 A Go Go's support group 7pm, 859 Azalea	5 Civic Club mtg 7:00pm, GOES Free Pizza!	6	7 MNO 7:30 pm The Corkscrew	8	9 GO Kids all ages playgroup Spark Park 10am
10	11 "Just One Day" campaign - No kill in animal shelters - adopt a pet today!	12 	13	14	15 Gazette Deadline	16
17 Father's Day	18	19	20 GOMO meeting, 7pm	21	22	23
24	25	26 	27	28	29 GO Kids Friday Fun Day - Bellaire Family Aquatic Center, 9:30am - 12:30pm	30



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