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Garden Oaks Gazette

The newsletter of the Garden Oaks Civic Club

2018 Garden Oaks Home Tour Update

Katy Hall Wyly, Home Tour Chair

We have some fantastic homes featured on the 2018 tour and are actively recruiting volunteers to help out with what is guaranteed to be a fun event. It's a great opportunity to meet your neighbors! If you are interested in getting involved, contact our volunteers committee chair, Allison Virgadamo at volunteers@gardenoaks.org.

2018 Featured Homes

207 W 32nd Street – Section 1
224 W 30th Street – Section 1
874 W 42nd Street – Section 3
1435 Sue Barnett – Section 4
938 W 41st Street – Section 4
1011 W 42nd Street – Section 5

Our sponsorship committee chair, Danielle Villarreal, has been working with the generous individuals and businesses willing to support the event. Below are our sponsors to date:

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Garden Oaks Civic Club Meeting

Tuesday, February 6, 7 PM
Garden Oaks Montessori
901 Sue Barnett

Speaker: Trees for Houston

Garden Oaks Montessori Pancake Breakfast and Silent Auction

Saturday, February 3
8 – 10:30 AM

Home and Garden Tour

Sunday, April 29
12 – 6 PM

2018 Home and Garden Tour Sponsorships are Still Available!

For more information or to sponsor, contact Danielle Villarreal at htsponsorships@gardenoaks.org or visit the Garden Oaks web site at gardenoaks.org

Pipes, Pets, Plants, Pfft!

Joe Muscara, Gazette Editor

As a property owner, there are two things I don't like about having a yard. One is watering. That's not my job, it's someone else's [looks upward]. I can deal with watering a new plant to get it established, but at some point, it is on its own. Good luck, little fella!

The other is protecting plants from freezing. I grew up on Long Island, and we never had this Pipes, Pets, and Plants (and now People??!! I mean, duh!) thing. I don't know what the cats were supposed to do nor did, and the dogs didn't spend the nights out anyway. The pipes were where we left them when we took in the hoses, and the plants had to deal with it. I think my northern friends would chuckle at the "hard freeze warnings" that get put out down here. Up there, most of winter is often a hard freeze. Of course, if the builders here would put the interior pipes in the right place we wouldn't have some of these problems. If I ever build a new house, the pipes won't run where they can freeze.

Tonight, we will bring in the potted plants and hopefully everything else will grow back in the spring. Maybe next week I can unwrap the outside faucets and possibly wash my car. Take that, my northern friends!

Gazette Volunteers Needed

Are you looking for a way to participate in the neighborhood? A new delivery captain for Section 2 is needed to deliver the bundles of *Gazettes* to each block delivery person in Section 2.

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Constable Program Update

Terry Jeanes, Program Chair

Precinct One Constable Rosen and his deputies thank Garden Oaks neighbors for their generous support of the season's toy drive. The Precinct was able to assist 91 families in need at area schools including Garden Oaks Montessori and others.

Garden Oaks Civic Club has completed the Harris County Contract for the 2018 patrol for two deputies. The Budget was amended in January to include the two deputy contracts.

Your support is imperative in order to maintain this commitment for the March 1, 2018 – February 28, 2019 contract term.

Calling All Garden Oaks Residents to Support the Constable Program.

Mailers with dues forms were sent out in early November. Please return those promptly. You may pay online at gardenoaks.org or via the form in the *Gazette*.

Constable Dispatch: 713-755-7628

Sign up for Precinct One Crime Alerts: <http://pct1constable.net/sign-up/crime-alerts/>

Vacation Watch Form: <http://pct1constable.net/sign-up/vacation-watch/>

Citizen Patrol Update

Carl Waters, Jr., Program Chair

2017 ended on relatively quiet note crime-wise with only 3 crimes being listed on the crime report website. Please continue to report suspicious persons or activities to local authorities for investigation. Postings to Facebook and/or Next Door do nothing to stop criminal activity in the neighborhood.

December Crime Statistics (3)

Auto Theft (1)

700 block of W. 41st St. on Sunday, December 10 at 2:41 p.m.

Burglary (1)

1500 Sue Barnett Dr. on Sunday, December 17 at 8:04 a.m.

Theft (1)

4100 block N. Shepherd Dr. on Friday, December 29 at 9:07 p.m.

Inquiries about joining the Citizen Patrol Program or other community safety issues may be directed to me via the neighborhood website (GardenOaks.org), the Citizen Patrol email account (gocop77018@aol.com), or by phone at 713-864-1992.

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Terry Jeanes

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Happy Birthday

Ann Best – 2/2	Jude J. – 2/3	Georgia Lister – 2/5
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Brenda de Alba – 2/17	Terry Williams – 2/17	M'lissa Dilley – 2/22
Grady S. – 2/22	Maya Rahman – 2/23	Elan Britt – 2/28
Eddie Battenfield		

Happy Anniversary

Will and Deanna Zugheri – 2/23

Out and About

The Salches not only enjoyed Colorado but another chapter of the adventures in the Sealy Wal-Mart. The fun continues.

The McLeans visited Edinburgh and surprised the kids with seeing "Hamilton."

Post-Christmas holiday for **John, Cindy, and Buddy Bartos** was a Galveston trip. Yes, it was chilly. Cindy and John also enjoyed the Texans-Steelers game.

Caroline Stender visited Washington DC.

Angela Weltin relaxed in Sedona.

It was Washington State for **Jenny Heath Espeseth and family**.

The Shamblens enjoyed Moody Gardens over the Holiday break.

You could find **Kim and Jason Ellis** at Pat O'Brien's in NOLA.

Memory-making moments include **Mae and Cat Theriot** at the Katy Perry concert.

Kerry Carter-Taylor and family vacationed in New Zealand.

The Weltin Boys adventures included snowmobiling in Evergreen, Colorado.

Stephanie Acosta, her mom, and daughter were seen in the Hobby Center crowd at "The Color Purple" as was **Kari Noser**.

Vic and Deb Seghers were spotlighted in the Houston Chronicle as participants in Goat Yoga.

Many GO young ladies participated in the **GO Cheer Squad** at the MLK Youth Parade.

Cat Theriot's journey to The House Manager was recently featured in VoyageHouston.com.

Special Thoughts

For **Jim Willburn and family** in the passing of Jim's wife, Mary Ellen Willburn on December 20th.

To **Amy Shaughnessy and family** on the passing of Amy's mother.

To highlight an event, celebration or other tidbit, please submit information no later than the 12th of the month to Terry Jeanes at terry@terryjeanes.com.

GOMM Construction Update

Lindsey Pollock, Ed.D., Principal, Garden Oaks Montessori

We are on track to move into our new buildings during the week of Spring Break this March! The new building in the back will contain our Early Childhood program on the first floor, 4th – 6th grades on the second floor, and our 7th and 8th graders on the third floor.

The building closer to Sue Barnett will house our gymnasium and offices on the first floor and flexible classroom spaces upstairs. These "flex" spaces can serve as classrooms, fine arts labs, and have a designated "broadcast" room for our morning announcements.

Once these classrooms are settled in the new buildings, renovations on the remaining existing buildings will begin. The renovated spaces will accommodate our 1st – 3rd grade students. These classes will be located in the modular building facing Wakefield during renovations.

Thank you for your support and patience during this process. We are looking forward to hosting an Open House this spring when we're settled in!

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Mickey's Minute

Mickey Morales

Wow! Has it really been five years since Farmer Cathy and I cooked up the idea of starting a farmer's market across the street from my favorite watering hole, The Petrol Station? A dangerous proposition I assure you, but none the less we and my liver have somehow endured. With the beginning of our sixth year, I decided to make a few changes to our endeavor. First is a name change that reflects our place in the community, from The Farmstand at Petrol Station to The Farmstand of Greater Heights. You may have already noticed that we purchased new bistro chairs for the dining area and will be adding more tables and chairs when we move across the street.

That's right folks — in mid to late March after the rodeo we are going to move to 959 Wakefield directly across from Great Heights Brewing Co. and the soon to be Decant Urban Winery. I want to assure everyone that this was not at the request of either one of these venues. I like to think of it as the best choice for all concerned including ourselves. It opens up parking for all of our customers, puts us in the shade before summer arrives and assures us a place in the neighborhood for years to come. I'd like to thank Rick Russell for his generous offer of the use of his parking lot and also the owners of our current location for the original grace afforded to us.

Other changes you'll see will be the aforementioned expanded seating area, and all the tents will be white pop-ups, giving us a more homogenous and tidy look worthy of our continued presence in the area. I have always dreamed of a farmer's market that the whole neighborhood can be proud of and especially with the nice build outs of the brewery and winery, it is time to up our game.

While we're on the subject of location, there have been questions of why we didn't join the other market inside the loop or if we have considered becoming part of the upcoming Stomping Grounds compound on the other side of Ella. First of all we've never been asked. Secondly, the cost of participation for our vendors would surely increase, and lastly we like the fact that parents and their children can walk, bike, or be pushed in a stroller or pulled in a wagon to our venue without have to cross a busy street. Or as I like to repeat the words uttered by a fellow farmer when asked if he would be part of a new venue, "Why would we want to spend all of our time and money making someone else look good?"

As always. "Come soon, come often, and come hungry."

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GOMO Files for Review of Appeals Decision

Subsequent to the 14th Appellate Court ruling in late November, GOMO representatives met personally with the litigants and discussed settlement terms. Although both sides offered a proposal and counter-proposal, neither was accepted and negotiations were suspended. After a full review of options, the Board determined it would be prudent to proceed with a Request for Review by the 3 Judge Appellate Panel. This Request for Review was submitted on December 29, 2017. It is expected the Court will render its opinion regarding the Review in 1-2 months.

The sole legal issue GOMO is pursuing is the declaration that GOMO was improperly formed with regard to the specific litigants. It is important to note that the declaration was limited to the litigants and was not applied to the neighborhood as a whole. This ruling is still problematic and could potentially have further legal ramifications and negatively impact GOMO's ability to act as a fully functioning enforcement organization.

GOMO is not contesting the other declarations from the appellate court's opinion. GOMO agrees with the Court that the deed restriction for more than 2-car garages in Section 3 is waived and GOMO is no longer contesting the litigant's garage.

Regarding rationale for the Request for Review, GOMO believes neighborhoods thrive and are better supported with a deed restriction enforcement entity. Considerable effort by the Board went into evaluating whether it would be possible to put forth a legal argument worthy of review by the Appellate Court. Even though the Board believes this is the responsible action to take, it was acknowledged that repeating the arguments, which previously failed, would be futile and have a deleterious effect on the future work required to restore trust and confidence within the neighborhood. Regardless of the outcome of this Request for Review, this case is several steps closer to a conclusion. GOMO believes it is time to work towards repairing the relationships, institutions, and deed restrictions that make Garden Oaks a special place to live. We hope you will join us in working towards those goals.

GOMO Review Meetings

take place at **6:30 p.m.** on the **first Tuesday** prior to Civic Club meetings and at **7:00 p.m.** on the **third Wednesday** of each month.

Meetings are open to anyone interested in attending.

Additional information about the **Garden Oaks Maintenance Organization (GOMO)** is available online at GardenOaks.org.

Property owners in Sections 1, 2, 3, and 5 are all members of GOMO.

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Garden Oaks Civic Club Meeting Minutes

Helen Sestak, Secretary

January 2, 2018

Location: Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet (GOMM)

President Matt Gannon welcomed attendees and called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

Matt introduced Patrick Barry of Gulf Coast Commercial Group (www.gulfcoastcg.com). Patrick told of his company's interest in purchasing the underutilized Garden Oaks Baptist Church parking lot on the west side of Shepherd between Gabby's restaurant and Chase Bank, with tentative plans to build a strip center. It would consist of a single-story building, with restaurant/ice cream/coffee shop-type tenants. For the purchase to proceed, the deed restrictions would need to be changed from religious to commercial use and would require notarized signatures and approval of 75% of section 1 property owners.

Mark Saranie and Vic Seghers gave updates on the GOMO litigation. In summary, GOMO is a valid Texas homeowner's association and has the authority to enforce deed restrictions. The issue of whether or not GOMO was formed legally still remains. More details can be found in the January 2018 *Gazette* or at gardenoaks.org.

Guest Speaker: Shana Ross of Shana Ross Fitness in the Heights emphasized how motivation, diet, and exercise in the new year can lead to very positive lifestyle changes. More information can be found at www.shanarossfitness.com.

Business Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes of the December 2017 meeting was made. The minutes were approved with a revision.

Original Minutes of the December meeting, posted in the January, 2018 Gazette: The \$2000 line item for grant money had been allocated for a donation to the Oak Forest Park project. It was suggested to add an additional \$1000 in that category to go to the Garden Oaks

Montessori Magnet (GOMM) school for the use of the cafeteria/classrooms as a monthly civic club meeting space. A motion was made and seconded to adjust the 2018 budget to accommodate the additional monies for GOMM. The motion passed.

Revision: A motion was made to give the Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet (GOMM) school a Grant of \$1000 for allowing GOCC the use of the cafeteria/classrooms in 2017. After discussion, the motion was amended to specify that the money come from the 2017 budget category Civic Club Meeting Expense and not Grant. The motion passed. A second motion was made to allocate \$1000 of the \$2000 Civic Club Meeting Expense in the 2018 budget to GOMM for the use of the cafeteria/classrooms during 2018. This motion also passed.

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report: Teresa Coleman presented copies of the 2017 treasurer's report. Most collected monies had been deposited, although some received at year's end were not yet deposited so not included in the totals. The 2017 Civic Club income was comparable to 2016. However, compared to 2016, 2017 constable patrol income was down by approximately \$20,000. Discussions to understand the discrepancy followed with Teresa and others volunteering to search past documents for more information.

Constable Report: Terry Jeanes reported that we are proceeding with contracts for two deputies in 2018. The GOCC president and secretary signed the contracts after the meeting. The Precinct thanks all who donated and collected toys during the annual Christmas Drive. Toys were distributed to 91 area school families (77018, 77092), including ten families from GOMM.

Neighborhood crime was generally low, although vehicle break-ins and package thefts continue to be problems. The importance of property owners being alert with alarm signage, functioning cameras, and locked doors and gates was discussed. Terry reiterated that Carl Waters, head of Garden Oaks Citizen Patrol for 19 years, will retire at the end of 2018 and a replacement is needed.

Beautification: Joan Harmon reported that the Spring Fling committee will make recommendations next month on how to spend the Spring Fling money.

Proceeds will benefit certain projects, including possible replacement of the broken Gazebo swing with a concrete bench.

Ed de Alba and Jim Dicola surveyed the irrigation systems in 7 – 8 neighborhood parks. Most controllers were intact, but in need of batteries and/or valve box tops. Ed will provide more details on the irrigation system at a future meeting.

The large oak tree in Friendship Park was recently trimmed via the Garden Club.

GardenOaks.org website: Pam Parks stated that the website is more secure and the PayPal issue has been resolved.

Membership: Dian Austin reported that she has received about 200 contributions from some 1400 Civic Club and Constable Program membership/dues documents that were mailed in October, 2017. The possibility of more visible signs of support for the Constable Program, such as placement of wooden 'thermometer' gauges and individual-residence supporter signs was discussed (possible Boy Scout community project?). Susan Kostelecky won a \$25 Barnes and Noble gift card in the

raffle drawing.

Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet: Stephanie Dubroff-Acosta announced that the application process for the 2018-19 school year is in full swing. Completion and move-in to the new three-story building is slated for Spring Break. Spark Park renovation will follow school renovation. Future Civic Club meetings will be held in the new gym. The annual pancake breakfast is Saturday, February 3, 2018.

Garden Oaks Citizen Patrol: No report.

New Business:

2018 Home Tour planning is running smoothly. Katy Hall Wyly will give an update at a future meeting. As in the past, current plans are for the parade of homes to be featured in the *Gazette*. Sponsorship letters have been mailed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for February 6 at 7pm. The guest speaker will be from Trees for Houston.

Thanks to Brother's Pizzeria for providing pizzas for the meeting.



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GO Kids Update

Lindsey Gabriel, Coordinator

GO Kids has a fun year planned! Garden Oaks families are very thankful to have such wonderful community members to put on great events for our children!

Events planned (dates TBD):

- Mardi Gras Parade
- Spring Movie Night
- Back to School Bash
- Halloween Bash
- Santa Night
- Christmas Movie Night
- Moms' Nights Out

Open Meeting

Please join us for an open meeting on **Wednesday, February 7th at 8 pm** at 228 W 33rd if you are interested in getting involved. There are some openings on the Leadership Team this year. If you are interested in a position or helping in any capacity, please contact Kelly Davis, GO Kids Coordinator, at kellydavisotr@gmail.com.

Interested in becoming a member?

We welcome families to join our kid-focused group with annual events, new parent dinner drops, and a monthly Moms' Night Out as well as many other activities throughout the year. Please contact Kelly Davis (kellydavisotr@gmail.com).

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. We look forward to seeing you around the neighborhood!

If you have questions or would like more information about the GO Kids group, please contact the GO Kids Coordinator, Kelly Davis at kellydavisotr@gmail.com or any member of the Leadership team.

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New School Start Time for the 2018-19 School Year

Lindsey Pollock, Ed. D., Principal, Garden Oaks Montessori

As many of you have heard, there are budget challenges in store for the upcoming school year. One of the ways to maximize current budgets is to ensure that operations are optimized in the district. To that end, HISD will implement standardized school start times for the 2018-19 school year to better deliver efficient, reliable, and affordable transportation to students. **For Garden Oaks Montessori, our new start time will be 7:30 am for all students PK – 8th grade.**

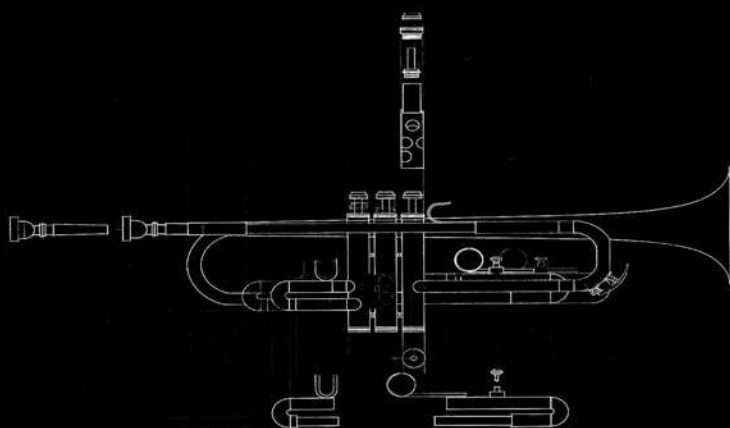
Currently, HISD manages 67 different school start times — the highest in the state — as it transports nearly 36,000 students on almost 1,200 different routes each day. Beginning next fall, the district will operate with two standardized start/dismissal times:

- 7:30 am.-2:50 pm. for elementary schools and K-8 campuses
- 8:30 am.-3:50 pm. for all secondary campuses (middle school, high school, and grade 6–12 campuses)

HISD gathered parent and principal input on the new start times through surveys conducted in October, and the results support the new start times, which were listed as Option 4 in the surveys. Of the 154 respondents to a survey of principals, 78, or 51%, chose Option 4. Of 17,138 respondents to a survey of parents, 7,932, or 46%, chose Option 4. To see detailed survey results go to <http://blogs.houstonisd.org/news/2018/01/10/hisd-to-standardize-school-start-times-for-the-2018-19-school-year/>

Standardizing school start times will bring efficiencies to the district's bus routes and ensure that students arrive to campus and depart on time, resulting in fewer interruptions to teaching, learning, and family schedules. The new start times will also extend the life of the district's bus fleet and reduce maintenance and fuel costs.

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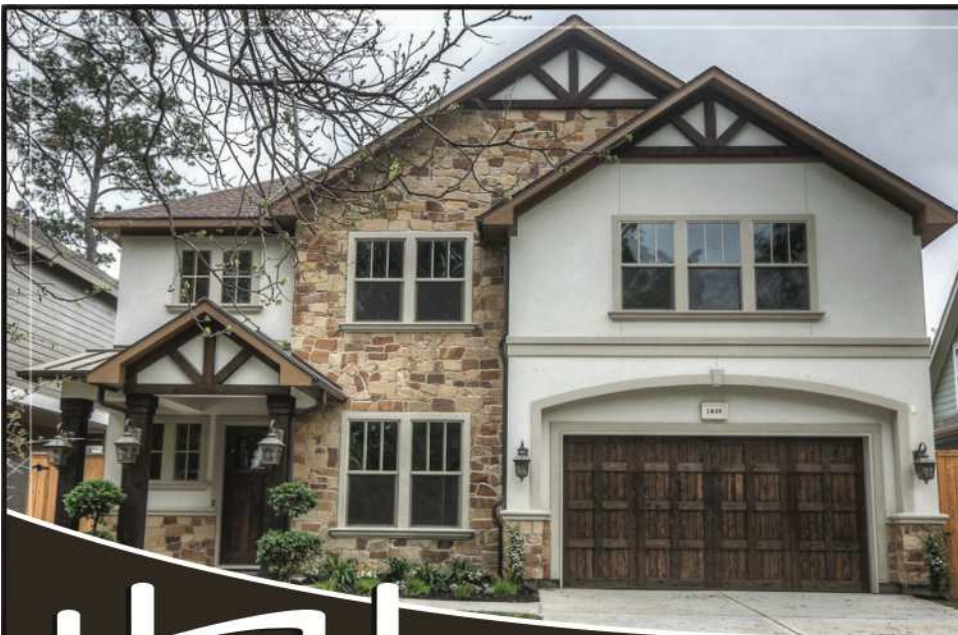
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Forced-air heating and cooling systems use ducts to distribute air evenly throughout your home. Properly sized, sealed, and insulated, ducts can increase the efficiency of your A/C system by 20 percent. Conversely, leaks and loose connections can make your home feel stuffy and uncomfortable despite a low thermostat setting and they can also raise utility bills.

Modern ductwork consists of insulated flexible tubes that run across the attic floor or beneath your home. It can leak air for reasons as simple as a puncture from a protruding nail or tears from when it was being installed.

Also, connecting joints where two pieces of duct come together can separate over time. Recently, I went on a call where the living room vent was covered with mold and mildew on the grill's surface because the vent was not properly sealed to the ceiling sheet rock. This is quite common.

Rushed contractors can even fail to properly attach ducts together or to a vent. As a result, conditioned air is needlessly pumped into the attic or under the house for years while the room it is supposed to cool or heat never gets comfortable.

Additionally, problems occur when ducts are blocked or kinked. Kinking occurs when ducts are forced into tight places beneath your home or in the attic. Make sure ducts are properly supported so they won't sag or bend unnecessarily creating gaps or splits.

System design is equally important. Improperly designed ducting can have ducts that are too small for the amount of air they need to carry to a room or ones that are too big and rob air that should be going to another part of your home. In addition, the air conditioner itself can be

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improperly sized for the ductwork, providing too little or too much pressure.

If your ductwork is poorly designed or installed, it will waste energy no matter how well insulated your home is or how efficient your air conditioner is. That is why it's a good idea to have your duct system examined for leaks, blockages, and inadequate design by a professional A/C technician.

Lastly, replace air filters regularly and clean your home's supply vents and return grills. Accumulated dust and dirt causes your A/C system to work harder than it should. That means higher energy bills and poorer indoor air quality. It's your money and comfort.

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