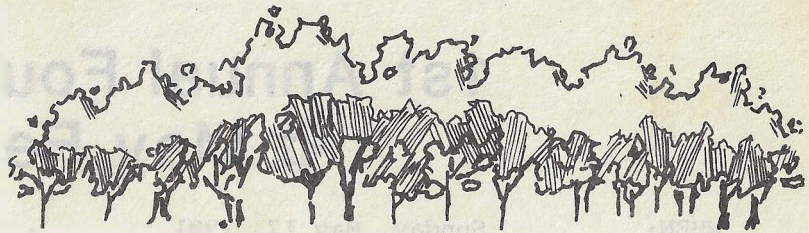


Are you an original resident?
...please see page 3



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SPRING FESTIVAL SET

Dear Neighbors:

Sorry we missed you at our last meeting February 3 but, we look forward to seeing you this coming Tuesday, March 3, at 7:00 p.m. You missed an exciting, enthusiastic meeting - it was great and I don't know if my enthusiasm showed but, I was on Cloud 9.

Our March program is one you won't want to miss. There will be three topics of discussion and two of these will involve guest speakers. (Please plan on the meeting possibly lasting until 8:30 but, I don't think you will regret it.)

Our first speaker will be Ed & Billie Forrest who will demonstrate and answer questions regarding two (2) security items the Civic Club will be offering under the Houstonians On Watch Program.

Our feature speakers will be Dick & Ivis Bird who are President and Secretary respectively of the Eastwood Civic Club, which was formed only three years ago. Eastwood is an older neighborhood very similiar to ours. In fact, you may have read about them in the Monday, February 16th issue of the Today section of the Houston Post. They are a very warm, gregarious couple who have a wealth of information they are willing to share with us. So, let's show them what Garden Oaks folks are like and turn out to welcome them, Tuesday, March 3rd.

The third and final part of the program, as it will be until our festival, May 17, will be further plans regarding the festival, which we believe will have something to offer each and every one of you.

Ruth Blanchette
President

✓ **Car Share.....**

NEED A RIDE

Folks - many of our neighbors, who are senior citizens and original charter Garden Oaks residents would love to join us but do not want to drive at night. Let's show the true spirit of Garden Oaks and offer to bring them. They are just as interested in our neighborhood as you and I. SO - if you need a ride or are willing to pick up several neighbors close to you call Robert Taylor at 686-2752 and lethim know. He will act as coordinator.

1st Annual Founders Day ★ May Fest ★

WHEN: Sunday, May 17, 1981

WHERE: Either Sears Parking lot next to Garden Oaks Boulevard
OR _____ ?

TIME: 1:00 - 6:00 p.m.

ACTIVITIES: A Giant Garage Sale *

Arts & Crafts *

Plant & Bake Sale
Sponsored by the Garden Oaks Garden Club

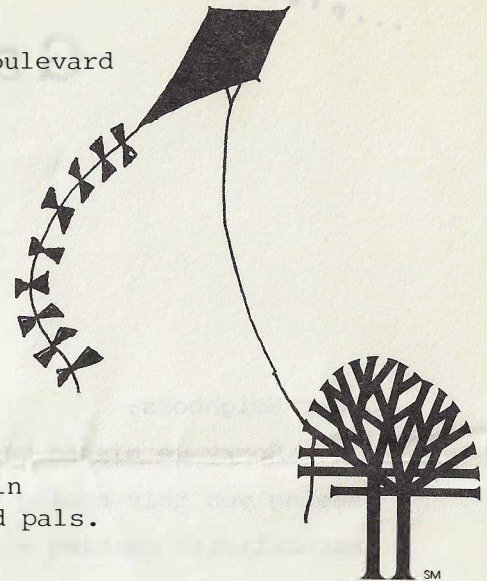
Antique Cars
Shown by several diverse car clubs

A "Hot Dog" Fun Pet Show
Presented by the children of Garden Oaks in
conjunction with their faithful four-legged pals.
(Ribbons & Prizes will be awarded)

A "Las Vegas" Afternoon

An Auction of various "surprises" donated by area merchants

FOOD - DRINK - CLOWNS - FACE PAINTING



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WHAT CAN I DO?

★ Garage Sale, Art & Hobby Enthusiasts

Do you have lots of old odds-n-ends laying around but, not enough to hold a garage sale by yourself? Well, quit fretting and start spring cleaning - simply start marking your items and bring something to display them on. We'll furnish the advertising and the people. YOUR TRASH MIGHT BE SOMEBODYS TREASURE.

For all you artists and hobbyists who have rooms full of your endeavours, bring them and let your neighbors and other Houstonians have an opportunity to purchase a truly special and unique gift.

WHAT'S IT GOING TO COST?

★ Good Question! Your advertising committee is working hard with numerous local publications and media so you'll have all the exposure you could ever want. Yes, you will be responsible for marking and selling your own items but that's fun - NOT work. All your Civic Club and Garden Club are asking is a 25% donation of whatever you make or \$25, whichever is least.

BUT, WHAT WILL MY MONEY BE USED FOR?

★ Since our goal this year is neighborhood clean-up and civic pride, we are endeavoring to raise capital to landscape 1st, Garden Oaks Boulevard, making it a true visual statement of our civic pride to the many hundreds of individuals who pass by there daily. As our finances allow, we hope to spruce-up and fix-up as many other areas as possible.

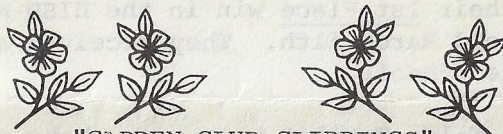
HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?



★ SIMPLE - simply call Johnny or Cindy Murphy at 688-7337 and let them know your name, telephone #, and whether you will have garage sale items or a craft.

AND

★ KIDS - are you interested in entering Fido, or Bruce or whatever your pets name is into a pet show where we'll have prizes and ribbons for all kinds of special pets. If so, call Ms. Jean Duffey at 862-5716 and let her know your name, telephone #, and your pets name. Hope you win and bet you do!



"GARDEN CLUB CLIPPINGS"

HEY - you missed a fantastic program last Thursday, February 12th. You're right, unfortunately it was awfully cold that evening BUT we proceeded anyway. Ms. Thelma Fields presented a program on "Growing and Using Herbs From Your Backyard". It was informative as she shared history, folk tales, and recipes with us. In fact, we have invited her and the Herb Society to have a display booth at our festival.

Be sure however, and not miss the March 12th meeting when Bill and Jay, owners of Aloha Flowers on Ella Boulevard have a demonstration and informative program on floral arranging with either silk or fresh flowers. They carry, in addition to the usual fresh flowers many exotic and unusual flowers and plants. In fact, Bill's mother, who is an invalid, hand crochets baby booties which they use as an extra touch in all of their new-baby arrangements.

REMEMBER - AND MARK YOUR CALENDAR - March 12th - The Civic Club Building - at 7:30 p.m. for refreshments with the meeting starting at 8:00. SEE YOU THEN.

Kay Paul
President
861-0328

Way back when:

"THE HISTORY OF GARDEN OAKS"

DON'T FORGET - OR DID YOU EVEN KNOW BUT we are going to publish a "History of Garden Oaks. If you are interested in becoming a part of this committee OR have any interesting facts about "the way it was" please be sure and call Eldrege Langlinois at 861-7883. ALSO, let us know if you are AN ORIGINAL, GENUINE, FOUNDED MEMBER OF GARDEN OAKS. We have a treat planned for you. THANKS.



Your Garden Oaks memorabilia is needed





"HEARD UNDER THE OLD OAK TREE"



Welcome to our new neighbors -

Mike Flimister - the yellow house on Garden Oaks Boulevard (#713)
and Martin Devrils - the blue house on Garden Oaks Boulevard (#717)

YOUR HARD WORK SHOWS

(the interesting fact here is when Garden Oaks was first
built the houses on the Boulevard had to be painted white)

What's this - Patti Ortega had a mysterious birthday phone call from the Eastern
Onion! How old are you Patti?

Happy Birthday to Mary Lehman who celebrated a birthday February 6th.

Congratulations to the combined morning and afternoon kindergarten classes of
Maureen Patterson for their 1st Place win in the HISD Area I Science Fair
Competition which was held March 11th. They received a beautiful plaque which
will be displayed at the school.

Rumor has it that Mr. & Mrs. Waldo Townley have a new baby granddaughter, Victoria
Lynn. CONGRATULATIONS GRANDMA & GRANDPA!

Hey Travis(Ortega) how old are you going to be on March 21st. (Bet you didn't know
I knew)

A SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE SPECIAL FRIENDS WHO HELPED DELIVER LAST MONTHS NEWSLETTER

Mary & Mark Lehmann	Mr. Mills
Diane Austin & Sandy Altman	Judy Scruggs & Pat Lindsay
Eldrege Langlinais & Billy Calhoun	Robert Taylor
Marie Gibson & her assistants	Johnny & Cindy Murphy
Susan McMillian & her faithful bunch	CORY BYRD & JOHNNY CROCKETT - THANKS BOYS
Glenda McKinney & her two assistants	DINA, MISSY & TRAVIS ORTEGA - THANKS KIDS

IF YOU WOULD BE INTERESTED IN DELIVERING NEWSLETTERS ON YOUR BLOCK PLEASE GIVE
RUTH BLANCHETTE, AT 864-8810 OR MARY LEHMANN, AT 864-1010 A CALL. YOUR HELP WILL
BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

Hope Pat & Bill Green enjoyed their cruise - they've sure got a lot of neighbors
who are "green with envy". By-The-Way, CONGRATULATIONS on your yard of the
month - Sorry the freeze killed the blooms on your macranthea azaelas but,
your yard (2210 Lawrence - Section I) still looks super.

Was that a new car I saw sitting in Dorothy Blanchette's driveway the other day?
What a Valentines present! It's gorgeous!

Understand that Ms. Flo Williams son, Donnie Thomas's wedding last Saturday,
February 14th, was just beautiful.

Be sure and look for one of your neighbors whose backyard is featured in the March
issue of Houston Home & Garden.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to Mr. Jim Smith, owner of Brinks Hardware on
Shepherd for his generous \$10 gift certificate which was won by Mr. & Ms John
Ranson at our last months meeting. BY THE WAY, they're new neighbors. WELCOME

DON'T FORGET FOLKS - let us know your news - we'd love to share it. Call either
Marie Gibson, 864-8769 or Ruth Blanchette, 864-8810 with all your neighborhood
happenings.

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