President's message

THE FUTURE RESTS WITH YOU

Once to ev'ry man and nation
Comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of truth with falsehood,
For the good or evil side;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah,
Off'ring each the bloom or blight,
And the choice goes by forever
'Twixt that darkness and that light.

James Russell Lowell

On Tuesday, November 3, 1981, at
your civic club building, 822 W. 34th
you will cast your vote, either for
or against a candidate to be the
next mayor of our city. Now our
city is managed over the next several
critical years will either assure an
extremely positive, well managed
future or simply a hodge podge which
lacks any strong, cohesive future
oriented management.

"Boss" Tweed once remarked "I
don't care who does the electing". Well, we don't have any "Boss" Tweeds
but unless you cast some type of vote
you will in effect be saying basically
the same thing. Where today's sense
of "let's stick our heads in the sand
and maybe it'll go away or, maybe
somebody else will do it for me" has
come from I don't know but, we all
must realize "it is our job" and our
vote does count. Even if you don't
vote for someone, at least vote
against someone else. Passive

acceptance of leadership was alright
when we were kids but it is disastrous
in adults. It causes us to seek a
leader and to accept as a leader
whoever is established or eludes to
establishment in that position.

Our form of government assures us
that every voter is a part ruler of
his city; his state; and, his country -
our nation. SO! Do your part and
VOTE - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3.

A TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS HOME TOUR

Christmas is a celebration; and
celebration is instinct in the heart.
It's a time for sharing; for giving
a little of ourselves to someone else.
On Sunday, December 6, from 1 - 5 p.m.
some very, very special Garden Oaks
residents will be allowing us to
share their homes with the rest of
Houston. There, behind many a plain
and some not so plain front door our
guests will find bright colored walls,
hi-polished hardwood floors, sunshine,
backyard decks, jacuzzia and swimming
pools.

Tickets and posters will be avail-
able at the Civic Club meeting for
you to take back to your offices for
your friends, families and co-workers.
Your support and assistance as
VOLUNTEERS in a number of areas is
needed. The tour will be 4 hours so
even if you can only work a 2-hour
shift please give us a call.

[Signature]
GINGERBREAD MEN, SUGAR PLUM FAIRIES AND PUMPKIN BREAD

Get out your flour, sugar and eggs and start helping us NOW with our Bake Sale which will be held in conjunction with our home tour December 6. (Heights made in excess of $3,000 with their cake walk at their recent festival) Now, we don't presume to imagine we can do that well but, our cooks are just as good as theirs and we need everyone's help; from young boys and girls to grandmas. Even if you can just bake 1 or 2 dozen Christmas cookies, a batch or two of Christmas candy, some sugared or toasted, salted pecans or some loaves of cinnamon or cranberry or pumpkin bread WE NEED YOU.

Sandy or Diane 864-7962
Rose Pitz 697-1545
Vee Gaines 686-5042

ADVANCE TICKET SALES

Tickets to your home tour will be available at the November 11 meeting for you to take back to your offices for sale to co-workers friends and family. Tickets will also be available the day of the home tour at the Sears parking lot and at the individual homes that are on the tour. (Advance tickets can also be bought at the Antique Co-op located at 325 W. 19th or call 864-7237).

The Civic Club is offering a framed copy of our limited edition poster to the individual who sells the most advance tickets. Tickets will be $5/per person or $2/per home. Children will be $1 unless carried.

POSTERS, POSTERS AND MORE POSTERS

Our special thanks to Geri Zamora, a young commercial artist who designed our advertising poster. These posters will soon be going up in stores all around our neighborhood and Houston, so start watching for them. In fact, be at the Nov. 11 meeting or stop by the Antique Co-op, 325 W. 19th, and pick up several and help us put them in windows and offices all over this city.

ALSO

Mike Hansen, a commercial artist well known on the West Coast has done a limited edition poster for us that is superb. It will be a glossy black with white writing. We will keep the cost as minimal as possible but there will only be 150 signed and numbered ones available. So be sure and get yours early.

RAFFLE, RAFFLE, RAFFLE

Can you or your company underwrite or donate one major item such as an antique piece of furniture, a quilt, or a piece of fine art work as a raffle item in conjunction with our home tour? If so, please call Mary Lehmann 864-1010.

This item will be on display during our home tour.
HISTORY/COOKBOOK

Don't forget, as you start thinking of what to buy for Christmas that a very special group of Civic Club members have compiled a History/Cookbook of Garden Oaks and it features favorite recipes of your neighbors and friends here in Garden Oaks. These will be available at the home tour but for additional information or to place an advance order call Glenda McKenney at 692-2447.

Don't get left out on a very special publication.

GARDEN CLUB CLIPPINGS

The 3rd meeting of the Garden Oaks Garden Club will be held Thursday, November 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Club Building located at 822 W. 34th. This month a prize will be awarded to every member who brings a guest. So, let's get our club growing.

Our program will be the door prize as you learn how to create that very simple yet elegant floral arrangement for the holidays. THIS WILL NOT BE a run of the mill; same old stuff you've seen before program but will be something very special and the arrangements will be given as the door prize.

SEE YOU THERE.

CHEERS FOR VOLUNTEERS

Alright - all you folks, friends and neighbors who've been wondering what you could do to help. Now is your chance. All year you've been saying Gosh I'd really like to do something but I don't know what? Well call us - we need you for just a little bit

Docents (Docents are assistants who help guide and direct tour guests through a home)
Jeanne Cabrera 680 - 1882
Zalie/Jimmie Dyer 861 - 8126

Tickets
Willard Mills 686 - 6592

Home Set-Up (This will involve laying out carpet runners - roping off rooms - setting up garbage cans for food and cigarettes as these will not be allowed in the homes - setting up balloons, etc)
Tom Roberts 697 -2009
wk. 676 -4391

Or just whatever,
Ruth Blanchette 864 - 8810
Garden Oaks Civic Club Presents

A Traditional Christmas Home Tour

Dec 6 - 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Adults $5, Children $1

Baked Goods

History / Cookbook

Christmas Wreaths

Christmas Ornaments