## Garden Oaks Gazette

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#### Chili Cook-off Postponed

Dear Civic Club residents,

Sorry we had to postpone the Chili Cook-off and Pie Judging Contest due to all the rain. The new rain-out date for the event has been set on Sunday, May 16th, at the same time, 12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m., the same place, Graham Park. Seems like the weather was a holdover from the Home Tour last year! We know that this won't dampen your enthusiasm!

The raffle tickets are going like hotcakes and there are only a few left. Prizes include a T.V., small appliances, a camera, plants, T-shirts, & dinners.

Northwest Bank and Trust has agreed to underwrite the cost of the Dr. Pepper booth so all sales of soft drinks will benefit the Civic Club.

It's not too late to enter your pie or chili cook-off team into this event. For more information or raffle tickets, call Marcelle Kinser at 688-2883.

## Mark your Calendar:

Next civic club meeting will be May 4th at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served at 7:00 p.m.

Hope to see everyone there!

Sincerely,

Bill Bijack

William R. Bysh

Refreshment Thanks - Jeanne Cabera's cookies and brownies showed up even though she was unable to attend our April Civic Club meeting. Thanks, we enjoyed the goodies!

#### Carrier of the Month



Willard Mills

Our May Carrier of the Month is Willard Mills. Willard has been a loyal supporter of Garden Oaks for many years. He is Treasurer of the Civic Club, Treasurer of the Garden Club and a member of the Board Willard and his of Trustees. wife, Margaret, have been residents in the 900 block of West 41st Street for 40 years. Thanks to Willard, 41st and 42nd streets receive their Gazettes every month.



# Garden Club Clippings

Betty Cole

Guests and members who attended the April 15th meeting were treated to a slide show narrated by Eldrege Langlinais and an unannounced appearance by the Goodyear Blimp. Suggestions on the best tried and true plants and shrubs for Garden Oaks soil and Houston humidity were provided (by Eldrege, not the Blimp).

The "yard of the month" honor was awarded to 758 W. 42nd Street.

Lois Garza's lucky number won a healthy nandina. The Garden Club welcomes Lois Garza, Barbara Smith and Marie Feltner as new members.

See you all (old and new members) on May 13 at 725 Garden Oaks Blvd., the home of Rose Fitch, for a program by Options Florist of 1503 Yale. Door prize!!!

### Landscaping Tips

Eldrege Langlinais

Garden Oaks is a landscaper's dream. Each month in our Gazette, I am going to share with you a landscaping idea which works well in Garden Oaks. My tip for this month is "take advantage of dwarfs". It is now possible to purchase dwarf (or small growing) plants, in many varieties. Most shrubs or bushes grow at least six to eight feet tall. In areas where plants need to remain short and low to the ground, plant dwarfs. Dwarfs usually have a maximum height of two feet. Remember, when shrubs grow too tall in their area, they create many problems for you.