Let's pretend for a moment. A beer joint, nude dance hall, car mechanic, or whatever is offensive to you has just moved in and opened next door to your house. What would you do? Most of you would go screaming and running to your phone to call your Board of Trustees to complain. The trustees would probably get it closed quickly. But maybe not. What next? The trustees would probably take that person or persons to court. Now fifteen trustees would not make a very big showing. This is where your Civic Club comes in. A large enough group could be gathered to go to court to be heard. It takes a large showing from the community to the court that we still want to be a residential area and enforce our deed restrictions. All this would happen whether or not you belong to the Civic Club.

You receive this newsletter the Gazette, every month with information of coming events, names of new neighbors, and what's happening in Garden Oaks, whether you belong to the Civic Club or not.

Section I and II residents who belong to the Security Patrol system organized by the Civic Club, can enjoy this benefit without being a member of the Civic Club. You can have a bumper sticker for your car to identify it as belonging to Garden Oaks, even if you don't pay your Civic Club dues.

The reason for all this is because at the last meeting, someone said they tried to get their neighbors to join the Civic Club and the people wanted to know what they would get for their $5.00. I have told you what you get even if you don't pay your dues. And you might get a whole lot more if you did. There's something good about feeling like you have a hand in shaping your neighborhood and contributing to its success. To all you who don't feel that way, the rest of us will continue to include you in the benefits and maybe some day when the nude dance hall or beer joint opens next door you'll call, and we will take care of it -- Or maybe not!!!

Maybe your Civic Club, for lack of participation, will dissolve and the Beer Joint will stay......THINK ABOUT IT.

KAY

Civic Club Membership Form $5.00/year

NAME ____________________________

ADDRESS ____________________________

TELEPHONE NUMBER ____________________________

Hobbies/Interests ____________________________

Mail to:
GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB
Mr. Willard Mills
907 West 41st
Houston, Texas 77018
PICNIC

Although we needed the rain, it came at a bad time for our Picnic. In case you didn't get to the park to see our sign we did cancel. I have not found out whether or not the park allows rescheduling for our payment. If they do not the rain was worth the $60. Those who have already paid, can get a refund.

CHANGE OF MEETINGS

The July meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 10, instead of the usual first Tuesday because of the 4th of July which will fall on Wednesday.
Also make a note now that the November meeting, will be Tuesday November 13, because of the Election Day on Tuesday November 6th.

GARDEN CLUB CLIPPINGS

A special THANK YOU to Larry Vaughn, Rose Fitch, and Jim and Maria Keeling for allowing us to view their beautiful back yards on last month's tour.

YARD OF THE MONTH ------- Jean and Max Curtis
713 West 39th

Our last meeting until September will be a pot luck supper. Come join us on Thursday, June 14th, at 7:30 p.m. at Lucan Neitmann's, 315 West 34th Street. Bring a covered dish and a yard chair.

GARDEN TIP -- To bloom well, geraniums like good garden soil, low in nitrogen, fairly dry soil, sun and Houston summers.

OOPS !!!

Mr. Mills, our faithful Treasurer, who is still recuperating from his broken knee, fell at home and hurt his back. He was down for about a week, but is getting around a little bit better now. We wish him a speedy recovery.

INFORMATION EXCHANGE

So many people ask, "Do you know a good floor refinisher?" "Do you know a good furniture refinisher?" "Do you know someone who does Sheetrock work?" "Where can I find a good remodeler?" and many more.

To keep the Gazette from becoming an advertising medium, we would like you who have good success with any company or individual to let us know. Then we could could allow people to call you at your number to provide the recommendation. If you don't want your name used you can call Kay Paul, 861-0328, with the information. However, talking with the person who received satisfaction is best. If you have any recommendation please call Kay before June 12th, with any names and numbers. We will print these in the next Gazette. This will provide our neighbors with answers to some of these questions.

CHRISTMAS IN JUNE?

Impossible to think about isn't it. But if the Home tour is to continue in tradition it's a must. We are now on the lookout for Christmas Tour Homes. If you have suggestions, please call your once - again TOUR CHAIRMAN, TERRY JEANES, at 680-8550 (home) or 697-5220 (work). Or drop a line to 922 W. 41st Hous. 77018
HEARD UNDER THE OAK TREE

One of our newest neighbors Donna Stevens of 955 West 41st street, is a talented pianist. If anyone is interested Donna teaches piano lessons. Give her a call at 686-6076.

Thank you to Marcella Swenson, of 31st, for donating the paper plates and cups for our picnic. We will certainly save these for future use since we were unable to use them due to the cancellation of the picnic.

Jennifer Cole on 31st and Becky Jeanes of 41st both had recent run-ins with glass. Jennifer put her hand through the glass front door and cut her wrist, while Becky broke a glass topped coffee table and cut her forehead. Both are mending well.

Josh Capp celebrated his first birthday on April 29th with Mom & Dad, Debbie and Jeff who live at 878 West 42nd.

Welcome to a new little Garden Oaks resident!!!!!!
Kathryn "Katie" McFarland born on February 23rd. Proud mom and dad are Sue and Mitchell on Azalea.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW GARDEN OAKS NEIGHBORS........

Geoffrey and Pamela Brune 830 LaMonte
Greg and Jean Buck 839 West 42nd.
Richard and Kristen Holden 236 West 33rd.
Bill and Tricia Hyde 843 West 42nd.
Mark and Peggy Andrews 863 LaMonte

KAY PAUL RECEIVES NEIGHBORLY AWARD

Kay Paul, our Civic Club president was recently awarded the Northwest Neighbor of the Month Award. As many of you know Kay is very devoted to helping more and more Garden Oaks residents feel like true neighbors.

Kay was honored as the first recipient of the award which is to be presented to the northwest area resident who most exemplifies the true meaning of the word "neighbor". Kay is currently serving her second term as Garden Oaks Civic Club President. She has been extensively involved with our neighborhood as past President of the Garden Oaks Garden Club, assistant on the 1983 Christmas Home Tour, and a primary originator of the Security Guard service used by Section I and II.

In addition to her civic work, Kay is extensively involved with activities at her church. She also participates in programs at her daughter's school and dance studio.

In case you missed it, Kay appeared in the Leader Newspaper. She was pictured with award sponsors, Northwest Bank & Trust, President Wm. Theissen and Suzanne Debien, Realtors, Broker - Suzanne Debien. Congratulations to Kay. We are all very proud of our Civic Club President........

To nominate someone for the Northwest Neighbor of the Month contact Northwest Bank & Trust, Middy Bice, 681-6151, or Suzanne Debien, Realtors, 697-5220.
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