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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A year and a half has gone by since I took office in the Civic Club. I can honestly say it does not seem that long. There have been moments when I wished I did not have the responsibility but not many. Most of the time it has been rewarding and enjoyable. I mention this because it will soon be time to find new officers. If you are asked to serve, please give it a lot of consideration. We need enthusiastic, dedicated, people to carry on. The greatest reward has been getting to know so many of the fine people which live in Garden Oaks.

Terry Jeanes is in the process of requesting homes for the Christmas Home Tour. If you are approached by Terry or one of her committee people, please give this your best consideration. This is a way not only for our community to show itself off and earn some money, but it is our biggest work together effort of the year. It takes so many to put on a Home Tour and it really brings the neighborhood together. This may be your big chance to provide a civic service for Garden Oaks. We can not have a Home Tour without homes.

Section I recently had a rash of burglaries like we have had before we hired the Security Service. I am happy to announce that the burglars who held one of our residents at gunpoint have been captured and positively identified. The couple did get some of their stolen items back. All section should be constantly on guard and on watch to help protect our neighbors and our property.

*Paul*

## AUGUST MEETING

Our meeting this month should be of interest to everyone who endured the hardships of Hurricane Alicia last summer. Our guest speaker will be Ray Stango, Disaster Meteorologist, National Weather Service - Alvin. Mr. Stango will discuss hurricane preparedness and show us a film about last year's storm. Please note, the meeting will be held at Garden Oaks Baptist Church on North Shepherd and West 34th. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. Bring your favorite dessert to share with your neighbors and guests who are also invited to attend this informative meeting.

Remember - 7:00 P.M. @ GARDEN OAKS BAPTIST CHURCH FOR HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS.....and BRING DESSERT AND A FRIEND!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



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### GOOD BYE MRS. WETSEL

Mrs. Loma Wetzel, who has served our Civic Club for six years as our Secretary, is leaving us to go live with her daughter in Arkansas. She has served us so faithfully, doing much more than just her secretarial duties. She is going to be missed by all of us who know her. At the July meeting we presented her with a gift certificate for her long and dedicated service. Good bye and God Bless You, Mrs. Wetzel.

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### NEW SECRETARY

With Mrs. Wetzel's resignation, the board of directors, ( officers ), was in need of a new secretary. Lana Miller, ( 411 West 33rd., 862 - 5726 ), graciously consented to fill the vacancy until the next election. She is very capable and enthusiastic about working with the Civic Club. Her husband Alan, grew up in Garden Oaks, and they elected to come back here to live. We look forward to working with Lana.

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### INFORMATION EXCHANGE

The Information Exchange has generated much interest. Many people have called to recommend and have called asking for recommendations. One man who hasn't even moved in yet, wanted his floors refinished and was so pleased to find that a floor refinisher had received two recommendations.

It's not too late to get in the name of your favorite plumber, electrician, re - modeler, etc. Call Kay Paul, 861 - 0328 , with the information.

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### A SPECIAL THANK YOU

Eldredge Langlains, owner of Garden Oaks Properties, has purchased five signs for the Civic Club to announce our monthly Civic Club meeting. They are Realtor signs and are white background with deep green letters. They will be put up on Saturday preceeding our Tuesday meeting and will be taken down after the meeting. A special thank you to Eldredge for his generosity.

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### GARDEN CLUB CLIPPINGS

**YARD OF THE MONTH.** Congratulations to Louanne Baudreaux and her son, Michael who live at

3602 LAWRENCE.

Remember NO MEETING until SEPTEMBER 13th!!!!!!!!!!!!

**GARDENING TIP FOR AUGUST** - Keep your crape myrtles blooming by removing faded flowers and seed pods.

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### HOUSE NUMBERS ON CULVERTS

At the June meeting a proposal from a young man named Jeff Harris was presented to the Civic Club. He wanted to paint house numbers on the driveway culverts and put reflective glass chips in the paint. It was decided this should be left up to the individual homeowner with neither an endorsement nor a denial from the Civic Club. Section 5 has many of these numbers already and they are really helpful in locating a home. If you have not yet been contacted for this service and would like to have it, call Jeff at 445 - 0736. The fee is very nominal.

Remember the city ordinance that requires each home to have house numbers which are clearly visible from the street in the event of fire or an emergency.

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### SENIOR CITIZEN EXPRESS

Senior Citizen Express is a non-profit organization serving the Garden Oaks / Oak Forest area. Anyone needing a ride to the doctor, grocery store, etc. should call Sharon Lauder, 683 - 0733. **ADVOCATES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS.**

We also receive donations, deliver food, clothing, and other need items. Our services extend a helping hand to any senior citizen in the area for any need.

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### HEARD UNDER THE OAK TREE

A quick and speedy recovery to Horace Baker of West 41st Street who just underwent foot surgery....It's hard to keep a good person down!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ERIN BROWN on August 8th. Erin will be four years old.

It's sad to say but Garden Oaks will soon be losing a good neighbor. Frank and Jeanne Cabrera will soon be moving to a larger home in Candlelight Oaks with their children Marcy and Mark. Garden Oaks loss is certainly Candlelight Oaks gain.

It was a wonderful vacation for Suzanne Debien and daughter Jacqueline, who just recently returned from a visit to see Suzanne's mom and dad in her native land of Trinidad.

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### HOME TOUR

This year when I undertook the job of Home Tour Chairman, I knew it would require a lot of work and that I would need the invaluable assistance of my fellow neighbors in order for it to be a success. Garden Oaks Home Tour is becoming a tradition and in order to keep it going your help is needed. Your effort will not be wasted. You will be working to represent the quality and pride of Garden Oaks to our fellow Houstonians. Please give me a call, no job is too small in an activity of this proportion. So pitch in for your community and neighborhood..... Terry Jeanes, Home Tour Chairman, home - 680 - 8550 or work - 697 - 5220 . Your assistance and suggestions will be greatly appreciated!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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EDITOR'S NOTES

Upon reading Kay's President's message I also found it hard to believe that our second term as Civic Club Board Members has come to an end. With the change over of Officers which we are soon to be facing and the loss of strong Civic Club supporters such as Loma Wetsel and Jeanne and Frank Cabrera, it stresses the vital importance for new members and blood to be pumped into the Civic Club and our community. We see it each and everyday as more people are moving from Garden Oaks and new folks move in to take their place. That's where you as existing proud Garden Oaks neighbors should begin. Welcome these new residents and encourage them to become involved with our community. Dedication to Garden Oaks has been here for numerous years and in order to flourish we all, not just a few must work. Whether it be just one new neighbor a year, monthly meetings, or continued service through serving as an officer. A task is there for you... Remember the old "Beer Joint" senerio, take the initiative and **KEEP GARDEN OAKS GREAT !!!!!** *Jeff Gland*

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