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MARCH 1985 GAZETTE

MEETING: MARCH 5th, 7:00 PM GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB BUILDING

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The month of February sent the Civic Club off to a rousing start. For those who missed our first meeting, due to the delay of the Gazette, you missed an evening of fellowship, information and uplifting conversation. The Garden Oaks Board of Trustees, who were guest speakers at the meeting, and the Civic Club made a pack to work together to increase support for our neighborhood and its deed restrictions. Remember: Goal 1 is to increase membership and Goal 2 is to increase active support of the members.

A key way to be involved is to pay your dues, today! At the February meeting, dues were raised to \$10.00 per family, (\$5.00 for residents 55 and over), effective March 1, 1985. Take a few moments and send in your dues. It is still the best bargain in town.

Goal 3, to pursue our Civic Building Restoration plans, received a big boost in February. Two fundamental meetings yielded an excellent number of concerned residents, as well as key volunteers. Research has found the City of Houston owns the building and we have a city authority who can show so. With one small battle behind us, the war is still uphill. Community support for our united cause is the key! Become involved! There's an exciting year ahead with an array of activities to get involved in from building plans, informative programs, neighborhood activities to the home Tour. DO NOT LET IT HAPPEN WITHOUT YOU! *********************

MARCH MEETING MARCH 5, 1985, 7:00 PM

Join us Tuesday, March 5, 1985, at 7:00 pm, at the Civic Club Building, for an informative meeting and program. Following a brief business meeting, Karl Moody, CPA and tax consultant for Price Waterhouse and Company, will lead a discussion addressing tax preparation and the recent changes in the tax laws.

SECURITY

Although reports of burglaries appear to be down in comparison to December and January reports, please continue to be aware of activity in your area and call the police or security patrol to report any suspicious activity. There is no harm in reporting such activity, and it may stop a burglary from occurring in your neighborhood.

Notify neighbors and the Civic Club of attempted burglaries, and let's

all be on watch to protect ourselves and our friends.

PICK YOUR COMMITTEE

Several committees have been formed which address a variety of neighborhood interests. Your neighbors who have volunteered to chair these various committees need your support to make their committees strong. If any of the following committees interest you, please call the chairperson. Your help will be much appreciated.

BUILDING RESTORATION - Lee Ann Kean - 699-8303 or Kay Paul - 861-0328

NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY - Anita Gentry - 694-2691

TELEPHONE COMMITTEE - Lana Miller - 862-5726

GARDEN OAKS CLEAN-UP - Rich Schneyer - 682-2116

GAZETTE ADVERTISING - Kathy Marek, - 688-6811

PROGRAMS & SPEAKERS FOR MEETINGS - Jim Alexander - 956-2582

REFRESHMENTS - Sue McFarland - 691-4594 or Kay Alexander - 682-5592

CIVIC & CITY LIASON- Cindy Weed - 864-1844

POCKET PARKS - Terry Jeanes - 680-8550

CHRISTMAS HOME TOUR - Terry Jeanes - 680-8550 or Elizabeth Dismuke - 864-6294

LIVING IN AND SUPPORTING GARDEN OAKS WORKS

The past efforts of dedicated residents, the Civic Club and Board of Trustees have proven to be effective in making Garden Oaks a great neighborhood to live in. A recent study which was covered in the Houston Chronicle and on local television stations, indicated that Garden Oaks, along with Bellaire and Meyerland, were the neighborhoods in Houston where property values were holding strong. This is good news, considering the condition of the Houston housing market as a whole.

Let's all do our part to keep the property values in Garden Oaks up.

GRAHAM PARK RENOVATION

The Metropolitan Organization, TMO, is working with area residents and churches to refurbish our area parks. At an organizational meeting which was held in February, Yolanda Garza, Section I resident, assisted in plans for a park tour of Northwest area parks by Parks Department officials. The tour will include Graham Park, which is located in Section I, on 34th Street. Noted needs include water fountain and restroom repairs, rear fencing, car barricades, and a refurbishing of playground equipment. Anyone interested in helping TMO, call Yolanda Garza at 864-1537 for more information.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

send your \$10.00 membership dues to Garden Oaks Civic Club, 6907 W. 41st St., Houston, Tx. 77018.	c/o

RESIDENT'S FORUM

Are you one of the reasons that Garden Oaks is a potentially dangerous place to live? Are you one of the people who speeds when driving through our neighborhood?

The speed limit on our streets in Garden Oaks is 30 m.p.h. Next time

you are in your car, look at your speedometer. How fast are you driving?

We have so many residents using our streets for exercise and for recreation -- walking, jogging, and bicycling. Please be courteous to these people. Slow down. Don't crowd them. Give them enough room.

But our main concern should be for the safety of the children. As is evident by the number of baby strollers, bicycles with infant's seats, and Big Wheels in the driveways, we, along with the rest of the nation, are in the midst of a baby boom. Please be aware of these children, and don't risk thier safety.

If we all slow down, we will in turn influence other people who drive through Garden Oaks. So, let's slow down and make Garden Oaks a safer place

to live.

Carol Smith Lipham - Section I

IN MEMORIUM

During 1984, our community lost a number of residents who were very instrumental in keeping our neighborhood standards high. To those families, the thoughts and prayers of the Civic Club are with you.

HEARD UNDER THE OAK TREE

Welcome to the following new residents of Garden Oaks:

- Larry Bierwirth and Joni Taterka who moved in at the

beginning of February at 4210 Alba.

- Four month old Lane Opersteny who lives at 803 W. 41st St. with mom and dad, Karen and Don.

- Happy 7th anniversary to the Jeanes on St. Patricks day. Several residents who dance with Skoil Rince Houston fared quite well

in recent Irish dance competition at the Irish Festival: - Brigid Horgan won three 1st Place awards and one 2nd Place

- Jennifer Cole took one 3rd Place

- Kathleen Horgan took one 1st Place and four 2nd Place awards.

to each of these fine dancers! Also, anyone Congratulations interested in Irish Dance can call the Horgans at 869-9198.

A young talent, Georgann Paul, recently performed a dance routine and gymnastics routine at the Oak Forest PTA talent show.

GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club will meet March 14, at 7:30 PM at the Civic Club Building, to reorganize and elect new officers.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES NEWS

The Board of Trustees will be distributing new copies of the deed restrictions in the next month. Volunteers are needed to help get these out. If you can help, call Dennis Alexander at 682-5592.

Brink's Hardware has proposed to build a new store at a new location on Durham Street. In order to change the restrictions, it will require support from 51% of the home owners in Section I.

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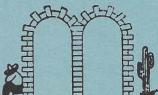
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