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Happy Easter!

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APRIL 1985 GAZETTE
MEETING: APRIL 2nd, 7:00PM
GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB BUILDING

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring fever and spring-cleaning go hand in hand. In response to a challenge made in a letter to the Editor in March 7th's Leader, I let our Northwest area neighbors know we are proud of Garden Oaks, and that we will meet the challenge to "spruce-up" our community. This month's Garden Oaks clean-up is an excellent way to meet that challenge. We hope our efforts will set an example for other civic groups to clean up their neighborhoods. Do your part, as well, by joining us at the April clean-up. Lend a hand in cleaning our pocket parks, the Boulevard, or Shepherd, or help with refreshments for the workers on April 13th.

Neighborhood functions like the clean-up are key events which add support to our presenting our building restoration plans to the city council this month. A strong Civic Club, Garden Club, and Board of Trustees will certainly aid in our efforts to convince the Houston City Council to grant us exclusive use of the Civic Club Building.

I'm pleased with the rousing response from the new neighbors and the "not so new" neighbors who have recently joined our efforts. We're adding fuel to the Garden Oaks fire. Yet, I know there are many who remain uninvolved. The only question is "WHY?" This is your community, too! Get involved. Help Fuel the Fire! There's no excuse not to!

APRIL MEETING APRIL 2nd, 7:00 PM

The April meeting will be Tuesday, April 2nd at 7:00 pm, at the Civic Club Building. Following a brief discussion of upcoming events, there will be a program on crime prevention. This is a topic which, unfortunately, many of us need to be more aware of because of the increasing incidence of crime in our neighborhood. We hope you will join us for this important presentation.

Also, George Swilley & Assoc. Realtors continue to donate a door prize to be given away at each meeting to a lucky dues paying member who is present.

Anyone needing a ride to the meeting may call Terry Jeanes at 680-8550 or Lana Miller at 862-5726 to arrange to ride with someone.

MARCH MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The March meeting drew a full house to greet Councilman Larry McKaskle who came to the meeting to offer his recommendations for the Civic Club Building Restoration. His input and support were certainly appreciated. Also, Karl Moody presented an informative discussion on tax preparation.

Also at the meeting, Oak Forest Civic Club President, Richard Rabe, presented Garden Oaks Civic Club a \$100 donation to be used for our building restoration. This donation was met by a donation from Garden Oaks residents Mr. and Mrs. George Polk, Sr. A special thank you for both of these generous donations.

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

New officers were elected at the March meeting of the Garden Club. They are:

- President - Rose Fitch - 697-1545
- Vice-President - Kay Paul - 861-0328
- Secretary - Elisabeth Dismuke - 864-6294
- Treasurer - Nell Ruter - 862-6933

The next meeting will be Thursday, April 11, at 7:00 pm at Rose Fitch's home at 725 Garden Oaks Blvd. Anyone interested in attending is welcome to come and join in. They are also planning the annual Backyard Tour which will be held Thursday, May 9th.

Do you have a surplus of plants, or do you need plants? If so, call The Plant Exchange. Call Candy Foster at 869-0343 for information.

HEARD UNDER THE OAK TREE

Congratulations to romance novelist, Barbara Dawson Smith, of Section I. Her book, No Regrets, won the Golden Heart Award from Romance Writers of America.

Welcome to new neighbors, Jim and Terry Weinberger at 813 W. 41st Street.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- *** Spring Clean-up - Saturday, April 13, 8:30 am.
- *** Mark your calendars for May 19th! That's the date of the Garden Oaks Block Party which will be held on the Boulevard from 1-5:30. There are games planned, a pie contest, plus, good fun and frivolity in store for all who attend. So get ready to join your neighbors for a fun day in May! Co-chairpersons are Anita Gentry (694-2691) and Eileen Hartman (692-4250). There will be more details in next month's Gazette.

*** Don't forget the May 9th Backyard Tour scheduled by the Garden Club. Plan to come out and see a few of the beautiful yards of your neighbors.

Send dues to Willard Mills, 907 W. 41st, Houston, TX 77018.

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GARDEN OAKS SPRING-CLEANING

In a continuation of our successful semi-annual clean-up program, the Garden Oaks Civic and Garden Clubs are again pleased to co-sponsor the spring edition of the Semi-Annual Clean-Up Day. This season's event will be Saturday, April 13th. In the event of rain, it will be held Sunday, April 14th.

If you are new to our neighborhood, or have not yet participated in our civic effort, a growing number of residents gather at Shepherd & 38th Street beginning at 8:30 am armed with rakes, lawn mowers, gas-powered weed eaters, pruning shears and brooms. We trim and manicure public areas that generally receive infrequent or cursory maintenance by the city. Through our efforts last spring, the crepe myrtles along Shepherd displayed beautiful blooms during the summer. And, last autumn, your neighborhood volunteers filled five truckloads of trash through the city's Adopt A Truck program. Our effort each season not only enhances the neighborhood but encourages civic pride and establishes new friends as well.

Our goal this season is to manicure Shepherd on both the east and west side from 34th Street to the railroad trestle. In the past we have been successful in improving the area north of the trestle to 38th Street. Additionally, we have a "Garden Oaks" sign to be placed at the 43rd and Ella entrance to our community. This task will require a posthole digger and a sack of cement if you happen to have either handy. The existing signs could use a new coat of wood stain if anyone has a small amount collecting around the garage.

It is suggested that each tool brought to the clean-up be clearly marked with your name to insure it is returned. Garden gloves are recommended. Browning-Ferris has donated trash bags for litter pick-up.

After a few hours of work, we end our day by 12:30 with lunch and fellowship at Rose Fitch's house on Garden Oaks Boulevard. The good cooks and bakers in our neighborhood have never disappointed us.

So, get out your garden tools and join us Saturday, April 13th (April 14th as a rain date). Bring your gloves, tools, ice chests and smiles. We welcome any suggestions you may have for this or any future clean-up. Call Rich Schneyer at 682-2166. Volunteers for the refreshment committee are asked to call Rose Fitch at 697-1545 to arrange to bring sandwiches, salads, deserts, utensils and drinks.

Be there or be square!

RICH SCHNEYER

BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE

At the March 12 meeting of the Building Restoration Committee, a rough draft of our building proposal, which is to be presented to the City Council, was worked on along with other aspects of the restoration. The final draft of the proposal will be presented to the Civic Club at the April 2nd meeting. If you are interested in helping on the Building Restoration Committee, or would like to support our efforts by attending the City Council meeting when we present our plans, call Lee Ann Kean at 699-8303.

GARAGE SALES

As garage sale season gets into full swing, neighbors are asked to remove all signs immediately after the sale is completed. If the signs are still posted some time after the sale, a resident may return the sign to the seller's doorstep as a not so subtle reminder.

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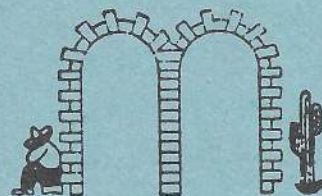
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