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JULY 1985 GAZETTE
MEETING: JULY 9th, 7:00PM
GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB BUILDING

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Now that summer is in full swing and more neighbors are out in their yards, I want to encourage each of you to get to know one another. Not only is this a great way to meet interesting people, it may help increase the security around your home. Become visible to your fellow neighbors. The more you meet, the stronger your bond with the community and the stronger our neighborhood becomes. Whether you're an original resident or a relative newcomer, I challenge you to make at least 5 new friends near your home, or perhaps rekindle a past relationship with a neighbor. You too can offer something of interest to your new friend, and you will gain as much, if not more, in return.

JULY MEETING JULY 9TH, 7:00 PM

Join us for the July meeting on July 9th at 7:00 PM at the Civic Club Building. Come casual and be cool as we have an informal meeting on the front lawn and enjoy a Watermelon Bust. The Civic Club will provide the watermelon, so bring your family and join in the fun.

George Swilley and Assoc. Realtors will once again provide the door prize which will go to a member of the Civic Club at this meeting.

Anyone needing a ride to the meeting, please call Terry Jeanes at 697-5220 (day) or 680-8550 (evening).

BUILDING RESTORATION

In working with the Mayor's office, the committee discovered purchasing the building and one-quarter of the total lot was a possibility. Any sale of this kind would be through a bid process, however, a restriction in the sale could be included which would require the buyer to retain the property for community use. A restriction of this nature would discourage many bidders and increase the chances of a successful bid by Garden Oaks. The Building Restoration Committee needs the help of all Garden Oaks residents to determine if our community should purchase or lease the building. Please contact a member of the committee or Lee Ann Kean, 834 W. 41st, with your input and comments on this important neighborhood issue.

A NEW POCKET PARK PROJECT

A potential pocket park which could be used by both Shepherd Park Plaza and the Garden Oaks community has been brought to our attention by Larry McKaskle's office. On Alba, between Sue Barnett and Chamboard, a large water storage tank has been removed. This area, belonging to the Public Works department, could be fixed up and utilized by both the Shepherd Park Plaza and Garden Oaks communities. Ideally, this would service families and residents in these areas who may be having to go to parks in other sections. Anyone who is interested in assisting on this project, call Terry Jeanes at 697-5220 or 680-8550, or Sue McFarland at 691-4594.

HOME TOUR

With the selection of tour homes almost behind us, the Home Tour Committee is requesting volunteers to join the numerous committees which will be forming within the next month. We need volunteers to help in the following areas: publicity, ticket sales, cookbook, decorations, telephone committee, bake and craft sales, plus more. We need your support to make this year's Home Tour a big success.

Please call one of the following and volunteer your help:

- Terry Jeanes - 697-5220
- Cindy Weed - 864-1844
- Elisabeth Dismuke - 864-6294
- Shirley Buschell - 695-9503
- Marian Mabry - 956-9469

NEIGHBORHOOD TREES, A TREASURE

Trees? Garden Oaks has something of value that many of us take for granted. If you have driven through many subdivisions in Houston, you know how barren they often look, with only houses and conspicuous mailboxes which line the streets. Garden Oaks has many beautiful trees which have attracted many homebuyers to our neighborhood. These trees provide shade for our homes, serve as a home to many birds, and protect us from nature's elements (damage from 1983's tornado and hurricane alicia may have been much more extensive without the trees).

So, before you trim or cut down a tree on your property, think what an asset a tree really is and how scarce they are in certain communities. Try to work around our trees when remodeling so we may all enjoy their beauty.

Please send dues to Willard Mills, 907 W. 41st, Houston, Tx. 77018

NAME PHONE

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\$10.00 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP \$5.00, OVER 55.

GARDEN CLUB NOTE

Just a note to remind you that the Garden Club will not meet during July and August. The monthly meetings will resume Thursday, September, 12th, and will be held the second Thursday of each month. Plan to attend the September meeting.

SECTION I TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

With many residents of Section I complaining of traffic problems on their streets, several residents have formed a committee to pursue a solution to these problems, with particular emphasis on the problem of cut-through traffic. It appears that a large amount of the speeding we are seeing in Section I is from traffic cutting through our neighborhood to avoid the traffic lights at the Loop and Yale and the Loop and Shepherd.

The committee is working with the Traffic and Transportation Department to alleviate some of these problems. A request will be sent to the Department for a traffic study to be done in Section I (east of Shepherd) to determine what steps can be taken to deter some of this traffic. The committee will need the support of the residents of Section I and will be coming around for signatures to attach to the letter requesting the traffic study which will be sent to the Traffic and Transportation Department. Please think about how the traffic in Section I affects you and cooperate with the committee when they come by your home.

Anyone who is interested in helping the committee with this problem, may call Jane Little at 869-3165.

HEARD UNDER THE OAK TREE

Welcome to the following new residents of Garden Oaks:

Mark and Carmen Everding of 324 W. 33rd St.

Sherman and Kat Law of 821 W. 31st St.

Happy Birthday to the following:

Julie Eckert who will be 4 on July 1st;
Gabriel Comeaux who will be 7 on July 7th;
Jennifer Cole who will be 10 on July 17th;
Aileen Horgan who will be 2 on July 18th;
Matthew Siems who will be 2 on July 19th;
Josh Marek who will be 2 on July 26th;
Elizabeth Kennedy who will be 2 on July 28th.

ENJOY A SAFE 4TH OF JULY!!!!



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