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AUGUST 1985 GAZETTE

MEETING: AUGUST 6th, 7:00 PM GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB BUILDING

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In reviewing the activities of the past months, I am proud of what the Civic Club has accomplished. Knowing the enthusiasm of the residents, I am confident the remainder of the year will be more exciting. July's round table discussion addressed several items of interest to our community. To those who aren't already involved, I urge you to become involved. There are many different projects that you may be interested in.

For neighborhood parents, your support is needed to aid in a new park facility on Alba, just north of Sue Barnett. With a water storage tank removed, an ideal area for a park remains. A joint effort between Garden Oaks and Shepherd Park is working to develop the park. Contact Sue McFarland or myself for information.

For those interested in security, ideas to establish a Neighborhood Network to increase community security have been discussed.

For those concerned with traffic problems, several issues are to be discussed with City Council. This is your chance to aid in the slowing of traffic on our streets.

For senior citizens, and those wishing to assist seniors, one resident formed a non-profit organization which provides rides for senior citizens. (Details inside).

For those wanting to enhance the appearance of Garden Oaks, plans are being made for the fall clean-up.

The wheels for the big event, the Christmas Home Tour are rolling. The tour homes will be announced at the August 6th meeting.

In order to be a success, all these programs need manpower. The more help we have, the smaller the jobs become. I, as your President, can only lead the group. It's up to all of us to see the job is done. Garden Oaks Civic Club needs your support to be a success. Call, or come to August 6th's meeting. Get involved. It's worth it!

> AUGUST MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1985, 7:00 PM

The August meeting will be at the Civic Club Building on 34th Street, on Tuesday, August 6th, at 7:00 pm. There is an interesting meeting planned. Also, remember that George Swilley and Assoc. continue to offer a door prize which will be given away to one dues paying member in attendance.

#### HOME TOUR COMMITTEES

Your help is needed now for a successful Christmas Home Tour. We need to form committees to help with artwork - design of the tickets and posters, and a committee to handle advertising and publicity. The Tour is our biggest money-maker, so consider volunteering your time to help on this worthwhile event. If interested, call Terry Jeanes at 697-5220.

#### TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

Several Section I residents are working with the City to alleviate some of the traffic problems they see in Section I. They realize that perhaps not all residents feel there is a problem and thus will not support their proposals. However, the committee which has recently circulated petitions to be sent to the City asks that residents understand that the ultimate decision will be that of the City Council, based on the study which will be conducted by the Traffic and Transportation Department. Although the committee's suggestions will be sent in with the petition, the City will consider all angles of the problem and make their decision based on their findings. Anyone needing additional information, please call Grace Blair at 862-9623.

#### TRULY A ROSE

Rose Fitch, long time resident of Garden Oaks, celebrated her 85th birthday on July 23rd. At a party in her honor on July 20th, she was presented with a special "Thank You" birthday gift. A beautiful rose garden in Rose's honor will be installed this spring at Garden Oaks Elementary School directly across from her home. Representative David Patronella presented Rose with a flag which was flown over the State Capitol on July 4th.

For her many years of devoted service to the Civic Club, Garden Club and Board of Trustees, the Garden Oaks Civic Club has joined the effort to establish the rose garden. Rose has always had an extended hand, warm heart, and open door to her neighbors and many friends. Anyone who knows Rose has been touched by her kindness. If you would like to make a donation for the rose garden, please send checks payable to Garden Oaks Civic Club - Rose Garden, c/o Willard Mills, 907 W. 41st St., Houston, TX 77018.

#### SENIOR CITIZEN EXPRESS

The Senior Citizen Express is an organization which will provide rides for senior citizens free of charge. Senior citizens are urged to use this service for trips to the doctor, grocery store, to run errands, or any other transportation need you may have. For information, please call Sharon Lauder at 683-0733.

#### HEAR YE! HEAR YE! CALLING ALL GARDEN OAKS COOKS

A second Garden Oaks cookbook is in the works to be sold at the Home Tour. We need all types of recipes from our good cooks. Send in as many as you desire and a selection committee will make the final choices for the book.

If there is any little bit of interesting history about your recipe, please include it. This will make the book more interesting and enjoyable.

Please make a clear copy of your recipe and proofread it carefully. We will not be able to test every recipe, se we need your help to make sure they are correct. Please include your name, address, phone number and how many years you have been a Garden Oaks resident.

Send your recipes to Kay Paul, 403 W. 31st St., or bring them to the next Civic Club meeting. Or . . . prepare your favorite recipe and bring it to the September covered dish supper. We will need to receive all recipes by October 1st.

#### HEARD UNDER THE OAK TREE

Happy belated birthday to ROB JEANES who celebrated on July 29th.

Happy birthday to DAVID COLE who will be one year old on August 25.

Happy Anniversary to BRECK and LEE ANN KEAN on July 25th.

Welcome to JESSICA LATSON SIEMS who was born June 20th. Congratulations to mom and dad, CAYE and BILLY, and to big brother, MATTHEW.

Welcome home to MARTHA and ELIZABETH KENNEDY who returned recently from a month's stay in New York. They visited friends and family in the area.

#### MEMBERSHIP DUES

Dues are payable to Garden Oaks Civic Club and can be sent to Willard Mills at 907 W. 41st Street, Houston, TX 77018. Dues are \$10.00, annually, \$5.00 annually for over 55.

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