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NOVEMBER 1985 GAZETTE

MEETING: NOVEMBER 12, 7:00 PM GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB BUILDING

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With the year drawing closer to the end, I would like to say thank you for getting involved. Remember, we still have two big events before the end of the year. Let's keep up the good work. We have established a great track record.

Join us on Saturday, November 16, for the Fall Clean Up. Come out and help spruce-up the neighborhood in time for the December 8th Christmas Home Tour. The Home Tour needs your help, so if you are not already involved, consider helping on either or both of these worthwhile events. You'll be glad you did.

Special thanks to all those who assisted on the Candidate Forum which was held at the October meeting. Mayor Whitmire, Mr. Welch and 20 council candidates provided an informative program.

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NOVEMBER MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 7:00 PM CIVIC CLUB BUILDING

Because Election Day falls on our regular meeting date, the meeting has been changed and will be held on Tuesday, November 12, at the Civic Club Building at 7:00 PM.

A business meeting is planned, as well as election of our 1986 officers. We urge all interested persons to come and vote for the board. Now is the time to get involved as an officer or to show support for those who have volunteered to serve for 1986.

After the election of officers, there will be a detailed discussion of Home Tour plans. Anyone with ideas or suggestions for the Home Tour should plan to attend, as well as anyone who is planning to work the day of the tour, as a docent or as a volunteer to sell tickets, or take tickets at the door.

Remember the door prize which has been donated by Boote Properties will be given away to a dues-paying member at the end of the meeting.

1986 SLATE OF OFFICERS

The nominating committee met in October and has presented its slate of officers for the 1986 term. The following names are those that the committee has recommended for the offices. However, nominations are also welcome from the floor and will be taken on the night of the election. The election will be held at the November Civic Club meeting.

The slate of officers for the 1986 term are:

President - Jim Alesander

lst Vice-President (programs) - Nancy Rogers

2nd Vice-President (Gazette) - Betty Cole

3rd Vice-President (membership) - Terry Jeanes

Secretary - Caye Siems

Treasurer - Willard Mills

Our by-laws have a provision which enables the Board to create new Vice-Presidential offices when it is necessary to further enhance the strength of the Civic Club. The Board met and decided to add a 3rd Vice-President which will be in charge of membership.

Thank you to the nominating committee for the time each of you put

into the selection of the slate of officers.

HOME TOUR

The Home Tour committee has been hard at work since early July getting everything planned to make the December 8th Christmas Home Tour a success. There have been 5 lovely homes selected and the homeowners are now readying their homes for the public to view.

The committee is now at the point where they really need to hear from you. Volunteers are now needed to work at the homes the day of the Tour and to help set up the day of the Tour. Each home will need 15 volunteers the day of the Tour — that is a total of 75 people, minimum, that are needed to make the Tour work smoothly. If you have never worked the day of the Tour, consider doing so this year. It is probably one of the most rewarding and fun jobs you could do for the Civic Club. Join in and help us open the doors of Garden Oaks for the rest of Houston to see! Help us show them how proud we are of our neighborhood.

To volunteer to help the day of the Tour, or to check out tickets to sell, or to pick up posters to distribute, call Terry Jeanes at 680-8550 or 697-5220 or Cindy Weed at 864-1844. Anything you can do to help us will be appreciated and will add to the success of the Tour.

GARDEN CLUB NEWS

The Garden Club will hold a workshop to make fall or Christmas wreaths on Thursday, November 14, at 7:00 pm at the Civic Club Building. Those interested should call Kay Paul at 861-0328 to reserve a space. The cost, which covers all materials, is \$4.50 per person.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Granberry of 1059 W. 43rd Street whose yard was selected as October Yard of the Month.

The Garden Club is asking for volunteers to donate bake goods for their Bake Sale which is held in conjunction with the Home Tour. This is the Garden Club's only fund-raiser and they ask for your support. Those of you who submitted a recipe for baked goods to the cookbook, make up that recipe and donate it to the bake sale. For information, call Rose Fitch at 697-1545.

GARDEN OAKS SEMI-ANNUAL CLEAN-UP DAY

On Saturday, November 16, the Garden Oaks Civic and Garden Clubs are again co-sponsoring your Semi-Annual Clean-Up Day. As we have done in the past, the autumn edition of our event will include heavy trash pick-up

through the Adopt-A-Truck Program.

At 8:30 AM, you are invited to meet with your neighbors at Shepherd and 38th Street (Southwest corner) with your favorite garden tools (rakes, gas-powered weed eaters, pruning shears, brooms, etc.) to spruce up those public areas of our neighborhood that receive very little maintenance by the city. In the past we have edged, uncovered sidewalks, picked up litter and pruned trees. The tall grass along Shepherd should be trimmed before our volunteer army invades the area and we can manicure our neighborhood in time for our December Home Tour. We also wish to pick up litter in the vacant lot at 43rd and Shepherd.

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

pick-up.

As for our Adopt-A-Truck program last year we filled <u>five</u> truck loads of junk. In this program the city provides us with a truck (possibly two this year) and a driver for the day. Neighborhood volunteers then pick up the junk not usually collected by the city (tires, old chairs, etc.) if it is in front of your house by 8:00 AM. Remember, these are neighborhood volunteers and your assistance in loading the trash would be appreciated.

After a few hours work, either on the trucks or on the clean-up crew, we end our day by 12:30 with lunch and fellowship at Rose Fitch's house on Garden Oaks Blvd. There has always been an abundance of good

food provided by our neighborhood cooks.

So get out your garden tools and join us on Saturday, November 16 at 8:30 AM (Sunday, November 17 is the rain date, however there would be no Adopt-A-Truck on that day). Bring your gloves, tools, ice chests, and smiles. Any able bodies wishing to join the garbage truck crews should call Rich Schneyer at 682-2166 or Johnny Murphy at 688-7337. Volunteers for the refreshment committee are asked to call Rose Fitch at 697-1545 to arrange to bring sandwiches, salads, desserts, utensils and drinks.

Last spring, we had 32 of our neighbors participating in our Clean-Up Day. Come join us and HELP KEEP GARDEN OAKS CLEAN!

COOKBOOK SALES

The Cookbook committee is happy to inform you that the cookbook is well under way and will soon be going to the printer. Copies of the book will be available at the time of the Home Tour.

The book will sell for \$7.50. However, advance orders for the book are now being taken and will allow you to save \$1.00 on each book you order. Buy the cookbook now and get it for only \$6.50. Call Kay Paul at 861-0328 to reserve a book for you. Deadline for ordering the books at this special price is November 22nd.

A collection of Garden Oaks recipes would make wonderful Christmas

presents!

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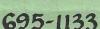
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