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CIVIC CLUB MEETING FEBRUARY 3, 1987 GARDEN OAK'S BAPTIST CHURCH

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, the good thing about a very rainy Arbor Day was the automatic soaking that our 11 new trees received. The Parks Department preserved and planted the crepe myrtles, even though our groundbreaking ceremony was rained out. A big "THANK YOU" to a few drenched neighbors: Lisa and Phil Miller, Joe Rhea, and Willard Mills for their assistance. Go by 42nd, Sue Barnett and Lamonte and see how nice the trees look. The next step in our plan for this pocket park is a full irrigation system. We will need lots of volunteers with shovels to dig its' trenches.

Patronize the Garden Oaks supporters who buy ads in the Gazette. Watch for their coupon sales!

♥ Our February 3, 1987 meeting will be a Valentine's party. Bring a covered dish and plan on enjoying a delicious meal with your neighbors.

It's dues-paying time and time for a winner of the cash drawing. Hope to see you on the third.

Grace

Grace Blair, PRESIDENT



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Ryan Kriechbaum
Lauren Hall
Georgann Paul
Katie McFarland

February 6
February 14
February 21
February 23



***** If you have any news or announcements concerning our neighborhood or a birthday or anniversary you would like to see in print in the Gazette, please call me at 688-2883!!!


Marcelle Kinser, Editor

***** The Garden Oaks Elementary PTA will celebrate Founder's Day (PTA'S 90th Birthday) on February 10, 1987 at 7:00 P.M. at the monthly PTA Meeting in the old cafeteria at the school.


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CRITTER CORNER by David Horsley

Can you name him? Try to identify the Garden Oaks Critter described below: (The answer is printed elsewhere in this issue.)

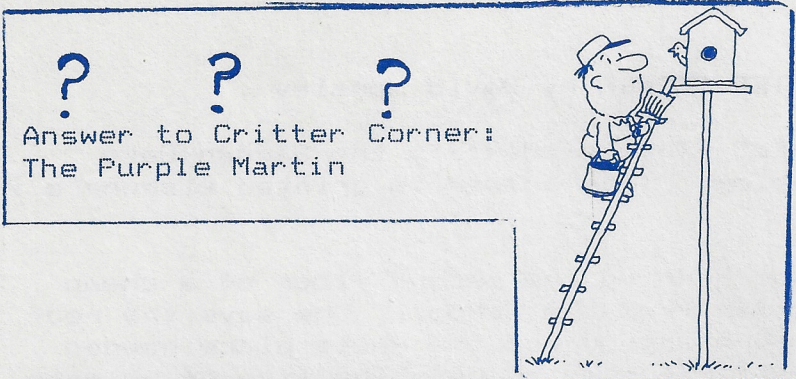
Momma says I was born on the second floor of a cheap apartment house not far from the school. She says the roof leaked, the floors were warped and the whole place needed paint, but at least it was home to us. The five of us were crammed into one room, Pappa had his own place downstairs and it's a good thing because I don't know where we would have put him.

The owner of the place didn't come around much. In fact I never met the man. I guess he had other properties to attend to. In his absence a number of "undesirables" had moved into our building, and they made life miserable for my family. Sometimes Pappa used to fight with them. There were some English next door, with their little apartment chocked so full of junk I don't see how they could turn around. Momma says the English never could carry a tune, all they did was sit around and talk, talk, talk all day and have more babies at night. And of course with that accent, we could hardly make out a word they said.

But, when it came to trashiness the Europeans took the prize. Luckily they lived on the other side of our building. Like the English they couldn't carry a tune in a bucket and I guess never heard of family planning either...but what really chapped my folks is the Europeans didn't believe in toilet training for their kids. Pappa says in Europe everyone is lax about that type of thing, what with men and women using the same bathroom and all.

Anyway, Momma wouldn't let us play with the European kids. She said they had cooties or something. Not that we wanted to play with them. I did feel sorry for them, though, because they never got to take trips to Mexico like us. All they did was hang around the building and talk foreign, eating junk food or stuff their folks found on the ground (yeck!) and making a mess. One time I saw them eating some old pizza that Momma says came from the trash bin behind Dominoes.

Well, that's about all I can remember. I'm writing this from Cozumel, where we come every winter to soak up some rays and bulk up on Mexican food. Hopefully when we fly back to Houston in March the landlord will have paid some attention to our building.



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