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**CIVIC CLUB MEETING**  
**July 7, 1987**  
**GARDEN OAKS BAPTIST CHURCH**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Wasn't GARDEN OAKS' 50TH BIRTHDAY PICNIC great?!

Even the brief shower couldn't dampen the enthusiasm of so many celebrating neighbors. In addition to the fun and delicious food, the party was a **MOST SUCCESSFUL** fundraiser: Mr. Mills records that to date the gross was **\$2,479.26**. "To date" because we will have our final auction item, an iron bed, at the July meeting! Come and place your bid. One of the very best parts of the day was to have so many V.I.P.'s present. Original Garden Oaks residents turned out in style. I hope you V.I.P.s will consider coming back to civic club meetings - we'd love to see you there. Special thanks to my very hard working committees. Please be sure to note the insert this month and remember our sponsors and donors who so willingly contributed to our auction and picnic whether it be time, money or goods. Thanks to so many, our picnic was **TOPS!**

Topics of interest at the July meeting: (1) planning how to spend the Beautification Committee's proceeds! Lisa Miller and her crew did a splendid job installing the irrigation system in the pocket park in May, so planting plans will begin. We also will choose the next location maybe your favorite spot? Let's continue the positive, visible changes in our neighborhood. (2) planning a membership drive. Mr. Mills mentioned that a lot of our "regulars" haven't paid 1987 dues, due **LAST JANUARY**. (3) a discussion of traffic problems and potential solutions. The new Garden Oaks sign at 34th Street and Lawrence was a recent victim. Gary Weed is kindly endeavoring to repair it as well as can be. Do you have any ideas?

Come to the July meeting - we want your input!

**GRACE BLAIR**  
Civic Club President



## CRITTER CORNER by DAVID HORSLEY

Have you noticed those long-legged wading birds hunting in our beloved ditches lately? I came out for the paper one morning recently and saw two of them in the ditch across the street. They were at least three feet high, and slate grey in color. Some white on the head, too. I watched long enough to see one of them stab a crawdad and gulp it down, but when I tried to get closer, they both flew off. My cheapo bird book didn't show a bird like that (now you know what to get me for Christmas) but fortunately I had a conversation with Debra Veselka this week and she identified the bird for me: a yellow crowned heron. Maybe you've seen them flying over in the evenings, uttering a single CROAK call. There seem to be more of them this year than I remember from years past.

Those Veselka people are not to be trifled with, bird-wise. David handed me a list at the last Civic Club Meeting. It names the various birds he observed in his yard recently: golden-winged warbler, black and white warbler, chestnut-sided warbler, bay-breasted warbler, magnolia warbler, common yellowthroat warbler, American Redstart, ovenbird, yellow-breasted chat, blue-winged warbler, plus a red-eyed vireo, Baltimore oriole, indigo bunting, catbird, Swainson's thrush, great crested flycatcher, Empidonax species flycatcher (?) and finally the Eastern kingbird. Is this man kidding us or what? I think he made some of those up -- a black and white warbler? A yellow breasted chat? Maybe at a nude beach, sure, but here in Garden Oaks?

Here's the good part: guess how long it took David Veselka to spot those birds? About one hour. From five till six p.m. on May 4th. In case you're curious, that was a Monday. Cherie Wiggins got an owl box at the May meeting, as did someone else who slipped out before we could nab them. Come to the June meeting if you'd like one free, otherwise they will cost you twenty dollars.

Later on this summer CRITTER CORNER will sponsor a Best of Garden Oaks Tree Contest. You can nominate your favorite tree in each of several species categories, and a panel of judges will go look at them and we'll report the findings here. Judges will be looking for things like overall health, crown symmetry, size, how the tree "fits" your particular lot, etc. Get those nominations in soon!



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## BIRTHDAYS

Billy Hartman, June 1st  
 Brett Hartman, June 21st  
 Betty Cole, July 22nd  
 Jennifer Cole, July 17th, 12 yrs.  
 Julie Eckert, July 1st, 6 yrs  
 Aileen Horgan, July 18th, 4 yrs.  
 Elizabeth Kennedy, July 28th, 4 yrs.  
 Joshua Marek, July 26th, 4 yrs.  
 Jack Peden, July 10th, 1 yr.  
 Matthew Siems, July 19th, 4 yrs.  
 Rob Jeanes, July 29th

## PRIZED PIES IN GARDEN OAKS!

It was a tough job but someone had to do it! That's what we told pie contest judges BILL LEESON of the Flying Saucer Pie Shop and GINIA WRAY WRIGHT, HISD Board Member. They had the task of tasting and selecting the best pies from the 24 entered in the contest during the Garden Oaks Birthday Celebration & Picnic. An hour later and a few pounds heavier, the judges announced these winners:

### GRAND PRIZE WINNER

MARTH KENNEDY - Blueberry Pie

### CREAM PIE CATEGORY

1ST PLACE - RICHARD LIPHAM -

Lemon Pie; 2ND PLACE - WILLIE

WHIDDEN - Pineapple Pie; 3RD

PLACE - WILLIE DIETRICH -

Coconut Pie; Honorable Mention -

WILLIE DIETRICH - Coconut Pie

### FRUIT PIE CATEGORY

1ST PLACE - MARTHA KENNEDY -

Blueberry Pie; 2ND PLACE -

FLOSSIE BLUMBERG - Pecan; 3RD

PLACE - DEBORAH ALEXANDER -

Pecan Pie; Honorable Mention -

TERRY JEANS - Apple

\*\*Special thanks to Linda Ross and Judy Scruggs for their help in coordinating the pie contest!

## HAT CONTEST

Hats off to PAT CHRISTIAN, age 7, winner of the Hat Contest with his Goofy hat, and Honorable Mention to Ms. Katherine Trimble for her creative hat. Both Pat and Katherine are 42nd St. Residents!

## UGLY TIE CONTEST WINNER

Will the winner of the Ugly Tie Contest please fess up and admit who he is. I have been trying to learn your identity for several days now, without luck. Call Marcelle at 688-2883.

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## REVIEWS

Sullivan School of Dance Recital June 4th, 1987

All the beautiful people were there of course as tap, jazz and ballet were performed by the lovely and talented debutantes from Garden Oaks (in alphabetical order): ALICIA and ERIK AUSTIN, LAUREN HALL, BECKY JEANES, ALLYSON and LAUREN MABRY and MEAGAN MCKENNEY.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Garden Oaks can be very proud of TERRY JEANES, our past Civic Club President, as she was recently named an OUTSTANDING YOUNG WOMEN OF AMERICA FOR 1986 for her involvement in community and professional affairs. Nominations are obtained from local clergy, businessmen and educators.

- \*\* Congratulations to PAT CHRISTIAN and the DODGERS as they took first place for T-Ball at the YMCA.
- \*\* Is JUDE PATRONELLA of W. 39th St., the neighbors bee expert? We understand a massive swarm of bees graced Jude's front porch for four days last month!
- \*\* Section 2 Resident, SPENCER DREISCHARF, has departed for a two year tour with the Peace Corps in Africa. Good luck to you SPENCER!
- \*\* Welcome to JULIE GOMEZ our new neighbor at 432 W. 31st St., ANNA ABOIT and her children of the 1000 block of W. 42nd St and BRENDA YANOWSKI of 1059 Althea.

## 50TH BIRTHDAY CARD CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to the Winners of the 50th Birthday Card Contest sponsored by Terry Jeanes and Eileen Hartman of Century 21 Bill Hartman. Winners are as follows:

- \*\* AGES 5 AND UNDER: 1ST PLACE - JOSH MAREK, 2ND PLACE - KELLIE KRAMER, 3RD PLACE - ALLISON WEED. Honorable Mention: MICHAEL CHIASSON.
- \*\* AGES 6 - 12: 1ST PLACE - TERI GOLASINSKI, 2ND PLACE - LAUREN HALL, 3RD PLACE - NATALIE PANZICA, Honorable Mention - RYAN HALL.



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## GOOD NEIGHBORS

We would also like to thank all of our good neighbors who pitched in to make the PICNIC a success. Preserving an old neighborhood takes a lot of work and tender loving care - and you, make the difference.

- CO-ORDINATORS - MARTHA KENNEDY, MARIAN MABRY and VEE GAINES  
 AUCTION COMMITTEE - KAY PAUL, RICHARD and CAROL LIPHAM, CHIP and MARY DEMOIS and numerous solicitors of donations.  
 GAMES, ACTIVITIES and CONTESTS - RIC LUCK and JIM and MARGARET HALL  
 SET UP, DECORATIONS & CLEAN UP - KAY and MATT WEATHERLY, SAMMY BROADERICK (Kay says he counts for three people's work), JIM ALEXANDER, SUSAN and BILL MCMILLIAN, RIC LUCK, PEGGY and CRAIG KRAMER  
 REFRESHMENTS - CHERYL LUCK, SAMMY and CAROL BROADERICK and all the booth volunteers.  
 FACE PAINTING - MARIAN MABRY, MELANIE, and PEGGY KRAMER  
 BALLOONS - HOPE BROWN, BILL MONTGOMERY and all those cute young clowns  
 BIRTHDAY CAKES - CAROL LIPHAM  
 TELEPHONES - CINDY WEED and KATHY MAREK  
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 BEAUTIFICATION INFORMATION and CIVIC CLUB SALES - LISA MILLER and DAVID VESELKA (he missed "CATS" for us!) and all of their booth volunteers.  
 HOSPITALITY and NEIGHBORHOOD DECORATIONS - KATHY and PAUL MAREK, JIM and MARCELLE KINSER, MARTHA KENNEDY, PHIL RICHEY and daughter ANISE RICHEY and BILL MONTGOMERY  
 BOOTHS - WOODY MEHRKAM  
 PIE CONTEST - LINDA ROSS and JUDY SCRUGGS  
 MUSIC - THE BANDED GECKOS

Thanks to each and every one of you who helped clean up, bake pies, cook the wonderful food which we all enjoyed, and participated in any way. You are very much appreciated.

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