CIVIC CLUB MEETING
OCTOBER 6, 1987
GARDEN OAKS BAPTIST CHURCH

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Thanks to you GOOD Garden Oaks' COOKS - our September Civic Club Supper Meeting was quite successful. We hope to see you at the next meeting on Tuesday, October 6, 1987 at 7:00 p.m. The Speaker will be from the SECURITY GUARD SERVICE. The topic will be home security and the service that two sections receive from the company. The program and time for questions will begin at 7:20 p.m., followed by a business meeting. Babysitting will be available for $1. per child.

Our FALL PICNIC will be on Sunday, October 11, 1987, at Graham Park, from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. The pot luck lunch will begin at 1:30 p.m. Be ready for volleyball, visiting and a good meal. Please bring lawn furniture. The rain date is October 18th.

We are finalizing the NEW NEIGHBOR PACKETS. If you speak to any retailers in our area services that have welcoming gift certificates or coupons for consideration to go into our packet, please have them contact me. Your business friends might also be interested in our PURCHASING POWER GROUP. Businesses with offers for group discounts should contact RIC LUCK, 697-0308 or ROBERT BLAIR at 862-9623.

LISA MILLER and JOAN HARMON of the BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE report that the next WORKDAY will be the fun stuff, planting at the pocket park at 42nd, Lamonte and Sue Barnett. This project will be on Saturday, October 17th from 8:00 a.m. till Noon, followed by the planning meeting and party hosted by DARLA and RICK ENGLERT. Just bring drinks and celebrate another step toward completing that location. A special thanks to the FOUR NEIGHBORS near there who joined in the last work day or brought drinks for us. (I'm sorry I lost my reminder note with your names on it!)

Thank you, CHRISTINE WINKELMANN, for the timely GARDENING/LANDSCAPING TIP at the September meeting, a new feature Garden Oaks Garden Club is giving to the Civic Club. Be there in October for the secrets to successful bluebonnets and more. The September YARD OF THE MONTH belongs to RHONDA and DAVID SMITH, 1585 SUE BARNETT. Congratulations! The October Garden Club meeting is on the Second Thursday, October 8th, and will be at the home of RICK & DARLA ENGLERT, those hosts with the most.

See you at Civic Club!

GRACE BLAIR
CIVIC CLUB PRESIDENT
~BIRTHDAYS~
KELLY KINSEY, 3 yrs., October 2nd
JOSEPH WEINBERGER, 1 yr., Oct. 3rd
JACKSON BLAIR, 4 yrs., October 8th
ALLISON VALL, 3 yrs., Sept. 20th

~HELP WANTED~
Looking for GOOD NEIGHBORS to help maintain the 43rd and Apollo Esplanade. Please volunteer to care for the esplanade for one month out of the year. Call Kathy Marek at 688-6811 to schedule a month in the future. Thanks to SAMMY BROADRICK for volunteering for September.

BILL MONTGOMERY has a definite date for the NEIGHBORHOOD FALL CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN, Saturday, November 7th. Mark your calendars and plan on contributing an hour, a sandwich or some equipment.

JERRY KENNEDY, 864-0038 is seeking Section I volunteers for monthly maintenance on the 34TH STREET location for the newly replaced sign and landscaping.

BILL & DANA MONTGOMERY will head up the landscape team at the newest sign location of the Beautification Committee, on 43rd and Sue Barnett (one long block off Shepherd). They will need monthly maintenance volunteers near there, too.

~GOOD NEIGHBORS~
LISA MILLER followed the telephone trail till she found the right people and got the tall weeds on Shepherd mowed at NO COST to the Civic Club. Thank you Lisa.

JOEL GORSKI, thanks for the police reports you distributed at Civic Club.

MELODY BLACK'S positively powerful proposal was approved and this month is the last hand delivered Gazette!! Yeah!!

Custom Jewelry
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864-0038 for appt.
HEAVY TRASH PICK-UP

The revised heavy trash program will begin in the Northwest Quadrant on Monday, October 19, 1987. Pick-up in Garden Oaks beginning in Section 1 should start by Wednesday, October 21st. The crew will be working through District A from east to west completing the quadrant by Friday, October 30th, 1987.

Items should be placed out at the street for collection. Unbundled limbs will no longer be accepted. They should be cut and bundled with sturdy twine. The bundles should not exceed 18" in diameter or 5 foot in length. They will be picked up on the regular trash days. The director of solid waste, Ulysses Ford, has also announced that his department will be strictly adhering to the ordinances which prohibit the collection of building materials, hazardous or flammable materials, household garbage, trees or automobile parts by the heavy trash crew.

Another available service that you may use is the neighborhood depositories. By presenting your current City of Houston Residential Water bill and proper identification to those centers, you may dump heavy trash items FREE OF CHARGE. The closest such facility to Garden Oaks is located in the Northbound feeder and Highway 59, just North of Calvacade. They are opened seven (7) days a week from 8:00 a.m. until 10 p.m.

If we use these free programs wisely we should be able to keep Garden Oaks as beautiful as ever.

LARRY MCKASKLE'S OFFICE
DISTRICT A

GARDEN OAKS SOFTBALL CHALLENGE
OCTOBER 25th

SECTION I CHALLENGES
OTHER SECTIONS TO FORM A TEAM AND COME OUT AND PLAY. NO UNIFORMS OR TEAM PRACTICE ALLOWED! FOR INFORMATION, CALL: CINDY WEED 864-1844 OR MARTHA KENNEDY 864-0038

REAL ESTATE UPDATE
697-5220

Suzanne Debiens, Realtors - 13 years Real Estate/14 years Garden Oaks

There are about 60 homes for sale. 25% are priced over $100,000.

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DEED RESTRICTIONS

One of the reasons that Garden Oaks is a very desirable place to live is that we have Deed Restrictions in effect and enforced. The developer, Garden Oaks Co., established these for each section and also established a fund from the original sale of each lot and gave it to the property owners to use as they saw fit. The property owners decided to use this fund to enforce the Deed Restrictions recognizing that to do so would protect and enhance their investment in their homes. They also organized the Garden Oaks Board of Trustees for the purpose of enforcing the Deed Restrictions and administering the fund. The Deed Restrictions have been tested in court including the Supreme Court of Texas and have always been upheld.

In 1985 with the assistance of the Civic Club, a copy of the Deed Restrictions for the pertinent section was delivered to each resident. Additional copies are available from the Board of Trustees. The Deed Restrictions are quite detailed and include the types and locations of structures permitted on each lot and the building lines to be observed. Of primary importance is the land use restriction that except, as noted, no lots shall be used for anything other than residential purposes. This precludes their use for business purposes. Further the Restrictions specify that no improvement or changes in existing structures can be made until plans and specifications have been submitted to and approved by the GARDEN OAKS BOARD OF TRUSTEES. The Board consists of fifteen members, three from each Section.

We need your assistance in maintaining these very important restrictions. If you have any questions concerning them, if you need assistance, or if you have improvement plans that need approval, please contact your section chairperson.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

JAMES J. DOYLE
President, G.O.B.T., 694-4134

GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM
Membership dues become due on January 1, 1987

NAME: __________________________ ADDRESS: __________________________
PHONE: __________________________
I would like to assist in the:
_____ Neighborhood Cleanup _____ Beautification Project
_____ Delivery of Gazettes _____ Refreshments for Meetings
$10.00 per household. $5.00 for Senior Citizens
Make checks payable to: GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB
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IMPORTANT GARDEN OAK TELEPHONE NUMBERS, CLIP AND SAVE!!
Gazette Delivery Questions 869-1282
Garden Oaks News, birthdays, announcements, etc. 688-2833 (M.Kinser)
Placing Ads in the Gazette, call 686-0577 (Melody Black)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES, DEED RESTRICTION QUESTIONS
Section I - Diane Austin 864-7962
Section II - Billy Hartman, 692-4250
Section III - David Veselka, 692-1384
Section IV - Craig Ness, 680-2377
Section V - Vee Gaines, 686-50442
HEARD UNDER THE OLD OAK TREE
A special welcome to the following NEW NEIGHBORS who have made Garden Oaks their new home:
KANDI & PAUL BERAN of 1067 W. 41st
CHRIS & CAROL MEYER of 1019 W. 41st
DAVID & JANA BOWDEN of 764 W. 42nd
DOUG & JENNIFER SMITH of 843 W. 42nd
JULIE GOMEZ of 432 W. 31st
JENIE LUTZ & DONNA BARWIG, 978 W. 41
Best Wishes to BILL BIJACK and BONNIE BROTHERTON as they wed on October 17, 1987. Have a good life.

SCHOOL NEWS

Garden Oaks Elementary will hold its Halloween Carnival on Saturday, October 31st, 1987 between 1 - 5:00 p.m. Come out and enjoy yourself with your children and have a SAFE HALLOWEEN.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR CLASSIFIED

Need to sell that boat, car, lawnmower, etc?? Would you like to send a Happy Birthday or Happy Anniversary Message? Run your ad right here to sell, buy or hire and get to know a neighbor in the process. To place your AD, write it out, enclose you ad with $5.00 in an envelope and drop it into the mail slot at 947 Althea or call Kay at 686-1560. Limit of 4 lines, approximately 20 words. DEADLINE for AD and money to be turned in is the 10th of the month.

OCTOBER CLASSIFIEDS

**Order your SMOKED TURKEYS now for Holiday Parties & gifts. Help my school (Waltrip Child Care Lab) buy new equipment. 8-10 lbs, $15., delivered. Jackson Blair 862-9623.

**Part-time work wanted. Preferably 5 days a week, 5 hrs. per day. I am experienced in bookkeeping, typing, customer service. Call Kay Weatherly at 686-1560.

**BEAR in mind the Holidays and order handcrafted, overstuffed Teddy Bears, $20 to $30 dollars. Danese 864-6021.

**FOR SALE - 42" electric range. Dbl oven, $50. Contact Jerry at 864-6021.

**FOR SALE - small TRAVEL TRAILER, 1100 lbs. good condition, new tires, sleeps two adults & one or two kids. $750. Contact Mr. Engberg -951 Althea. Mon-Sat only.

**AFTER SCHOOL child care from Garden Oaks Elem. or St. Rose. I will pick up children, have two openings $35.00 per week. Call Sherry 688-7922.

Good fun & good neighbors on Labor Day at Graham Park!

Join us for volleyball on Sundays at 5:00 p.m.
CRITTER CORNER

Recently I had occasion to fly over Garden Oaks in a large jet. Can you guess what our neighborhood looks like from the air? I was all set to point out my house to the person in the seat next to me, but I was surprised to discover that I couldn't see my house, or anyone's house, or anything else except for trees, trees, trees! What lovely treetops you have, my dear. Viewed from above, Garden Oaks looks like a sparsely-inhabited forest. Which shouldn't surprise me, but it did.

This is the month the Indians used to call "Moon of Squirrels Stripping Poor Little Pecan Tree Bare", or words to that effect. You'd think that with the free room and board we provide our fuzzy-tailed friends, they would at least have the decency to leave us one or two nuts. Our little pecan trees have been producing nuts now for five years, and we have YET to eat one single nut. I don't know what the squirrels do with all those pecans -- they can't be eating them because the meat isn't ripe yet, and Lord knows they don't need the calories. My squirrels are so fat they've had to enlarge the entrance hole to the owl box they've confiscated.

Here's a brain-teaser for you armchair scientists: why do pine cones have spines on them? The obvious answer is that pine trees evolved spines to protect the cones from being eaten, same as cactus and other plants have. OK, but what animal would even think about eating a pine cone? Answer: a squirrel. In addition to eating my pecans, our squirrels are also busy this month chowing down on pinecones high overhead, showering us earth-dwellers with pinecone debris. Step on those little spiked pinecone pieces with your bare foot, and suddenly you realize that the spikes certainly didn't deter the squirrels one whit. So why the spikes? Any Darwinians out there?

Observations made at the hummingbird feeder: hummers seem cute and dainty until one of them intrudes on the territory claimed by another. Then it's dog eat dog. Those little birds are fiercely protective of territory. We have one named "The Refrigerator" (he's built like one--a tennis ball with wings) that perches eight or ten feet from the feeder, and just dares other hummers to try to get a drink. When one comes zooming in for a raid, he goes out to meet it like gangbusters. Talk about the dog in the manger! I wonder what would happen if I put a little beer in his nectar? by DAVID HORSLEY

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