



GOMO's Revised Bankruptcy Plan

Vic Seghers, GOMO President

GOMO has revised its plan that will be the basis for its starting point in a joint negotiation with the Creditors' Committee or possibly a separate plan to be resubmitted and voted upon by the neighborhood. These are general principles and subject to revision after potential negotiations with the Creditors' Committee.

1. A flat, simple transfer fee of \$1500.

This will be assessed on *future, and not current*, property owners and will include a reasonable adjustment mechanism so it may be lowered or raised based on future needs of the neighborhood. Discontinue the current 0.75% transfer assessment on sold property that is the basis of the current transfer fee. Abandon the prior contemplated \$80 annual fee proposal. Current property owners will not pay any fees. The judge was adamant that GOMO include a mandatory annual fee in its earlier plan. However, with the voting results in hand, we are comfortable standing up to the judge and recommending a transfer fee on future property owners be maintained, but significantly lowered, and improve the method so as to address the concerns of residents regarding the ability to adjust it in the future.

2. Maximize money returned to creditors.

After attorney's fees are paid, post-petition fees returned, and 1 year reserve of operating expenses for the future HOA are set aside, *100% of remaining funds will be returned to creditors*. It is our objective to ensure our plan maximizes the funds returned to creditors.

3. Update deed restrictions and bylaws.

Neighbors, we need these updates. Some of the current restrictions are untenable and must be revised/updated. On this point there is very little disagreement. There must be a reasonable amendment process, sorely lacking in the current DRs, to allow the DRs to evolve moving forward. Had a workable and reasonable amendment mechanism been in place, the neighborhood could have easily voted years ago whether it wanted to amend or remove certain restrictions that weren't equitably established and enforced through all sections of GO. The existing method requiring an affirmative vote of 67% of all neighbors is too high a threshold and a difficult task. That is why the DRs have

Garden Oaks Civic Club Meeting

Tuesday, May 7, 7 PM
Garden Oaks Montessori
901 Sue Barnett

Presenter: Lauren Simpson
of St. Julian's Crossing
Wildlife Habitat

GOCC Social Hour

Wednesday, May 8
5:30 - 7 PM
El Tiempo Cantina
12440 NW Freeway

You do not need to be a member to attend either of these events!

Girl Scout Troop 21 Bake Sale

Sunday, May 19
12 - 2 PM
859 Azalea

Citizen Patrol

Mark Saranie, Program Chair

March 2019 crime statistics:

3-11-2019 Theft—400 block W. 32nd

3-22-2019 Theft from vehicle—900 block W. 42nd

Reported patrol hours—10

We still need more volunteer patrollers. Interested in becoming part of the Citizen Patrol team?

Go to gardenoaks.org (under the Security tab) and fill out and send both applications to me at gocop77018@gardenoaks.org. I will get those to the HPD coordinator and you will be notified of your certification class options.

In the event you have any inquiries about joining the Citizen Patrol Program or other community safety issues I can be reached at the email address above, or call and **leave a message** at 713-724-1271.

The requirements are few. You must be at least 18 years old, have a current driver's license, live in Garden Oaks, and pass a background check.

GOCC Social Hour Planned for May 8th

Dian Austin, Committee Chair

The Civic Club's Membership Committee has organized the first Social Hour for 2019, and all are welcomed to join us.

Please come out and meet your neighbors on Wednesday, May 8th, from 5:30 to 7 pm at El Tiempo Cantina, 12440 Northwest Freeway, just north of W. 43rd.

El Tiempo Cantina has graciously offered to host us and provide free appetizers for all to enjoy. You don't have to be a member of the Civic Club to attend. Hope to see you on May 8th!

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Bankruptcy Plan Voting Results

Vic Seghers, GOMO President

Below are the tallied results from GOMO's recent bankruptcy plan vote that ended April 1, 2019. The Class 5 results are believed to be the most significant and sure to have the greatest influence on the bankruptcy court judge based on his prior comments during public hearings, because Class 5 reflects the interests of those residing within and maintaining a continued stake in the future of Garden Oaks. Note that Class 5 includes homeowners who are a mixture of both non-creditors and creditors.

	Affirm	Reject
Class 1 (Creditors)	0	1
Class 2 (Creditors)	0	2
Class 3 (Creditors; mix of both non-homeowners and homeowners)	37	84
Class 4 (Creditors who wish to refund their monies to new HOA)	20	1
Class 5-Section 1 (Homeowners; Mix of non-Creditors and Creditors)	74	63
Class 5-Section 2 (Homeowners; Mix of non-Creditors and Creditors)	30	26
Class 5-Section 3 (Homeowners; Mix of non-Creditors and Creditors)	52	49
Class 5-Section 5 (Homeowners; Mix of non-Creditors and Creditors)	34	48
Total Class 5	190	186

The Class 5 vote was effectively split, 50/50, and consequently the GOMO Board chose not to seek confirmation of the plan by the bankruptcy judge. A primary goal of exiting bankruptcy has been to bring resolution and closure to the neighborhood in regards to its HOA, and seeking confirmation of this plan in light of split results would have done the opposite, only serving to incite further discord.

Despite being a split vote, some useful insight into homeowners' priorities was gained. Multiple ballots were returned with supplemental text stating the voter would have voted for the plan if not for the inclusion of the \$80 annual fee. Neighbors, particularly those who have already paid a fee, clearly do not wish to pay another fee nor is there much appetite for the annual assessment. Many Class 3 creditors are also homeowners voting in Class 5, and through their votes it was made clear that receiving maximum value of any monies to be returned to creditors was a priority. Although we believe that updated deed restrictions with a reasonable amendment method to facilitate future revisions are integral to the future success of the HOA, clearly this was not as highly prioritized as 1) *Maximizing monies returned to Creditors* and 2) *Minimizing monies that must be paid out by Homeowners in the future*.

What now? Without a confirmed plan, GOMO remains in bankruptcy. More cost, more pain, but hopefully a better plan will emerge that may unify and receive full backing from the neighborhood. Representatives of GOMO and the Creditors' Committee met during the voting period, and both groups' attorneys continue to be in discussion about ways to move forward, hopefully with a unified plan. The next bankruptcy court hearing is set for May 9, 2019, although there is a possibility it could be earlier if GOMO and the Creditors' Committee reach an agreement on a jointly acceptable plan.

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not been updated. The GOMO Board strongly advocates capitalizing on this opportunity to update and revise our DRs and bylaws under the protection of and as part of the bankruptcy case to more easily ensure and facilitate timely passage.

4. Fix GOMO formation defect.

5. GOMO leadership resigns upon plan confirmation.

The new HOA Board that will be elected after bankruptcy is completed will consider the benefits of third party professional management for deed restriction enforcement. It is the GOMO Board's belief that ensuring a professional, objective process for DR enforcement would allow the neighborhood to move forward with greater confidence, but feedback at prior town hall meetings and the voting results suggest this is not the most pressing priority for the neighborhood.



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Tina Sabuco & Shellye Arnold

We invite you to participate in our very special bake sale for our very special scouts. This will be our 6th year hosting this bake sale in our yard and our 7th year as leaders of the troop. We will be on the corner of Azalea and Alba once again on Sunday, May 19th from Noon – 2 pm. This is the only fundraiser we have for the year and thanks to the generosity of so many neighbors and friends in the past, the money raised through this bake sale has carried our troop of 25 scouts throughout the year. We hope that you can come out and support and meet our very special scouts.

Troop 21 is the only Girl Scout troop in the United States comprised entirely of adults with special needs. The troop formed in 1976, and many of the then-young women are still members today. Members range in age from mid-20s to mid-60s. Like most Girl Scout troops, we meet monthly and provide activities that help the scouts learn, socialize, contribute and, most of all, **have fun!!!** Funding from this bake sale fuels an entire year of activities, including field trips to the theater, dining adventures, doing crafts, and celebrating birthdays. We are able to buy supplies for art projects, crafts, snacks, prizes, and more! The highlight of the Scouts' year is our annual Christmas/Hanukkah party, complete with a bagful of gifts from their wish list and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus.

This year we will be joined by Girl Scout Troop 122037 from Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet. They will be selling goodies and refreshments and generously donating 100% of their proceeds to our troop!



How can you help?

- **Bake some goodies for us to sell.** Drop off any baked goods the day before the sale, or anytime up to the time of the sale. Please label them to let everyone know what they are and what they contain. E.g.: Brownies w/Walnuts. We welcome individual bags of goodies and/or whole baked goods. Whole cakes, pies, and loaves of bread are always very popular!
- **Stop by and purchase items.**
- **Bring your pups.** We will also have a table filled with Doggy Delights made by yours truly — and anyone else who would like to contribute to our pup table. So, bring your fur family members (many of our scouts love to visit with them) or pick up some treats to take home.
- **Make a monetary donation.** We will happily accept checks. Please make them out to Tina Sabuco and write Troop 21 in the memo section. Please mail them to 859 Azalea, Houston, TX 77018, or better yet, come to the sale in person if you can.
- **Visit us.** Socializing and engaging are very important parts of this experience for our troop, so even if you are not eating baked goods these days, please just stop by and say "Hi!"

If you can help or have any questions, please contact me at tina@artsaliveinc.com or 713-819-9339.

See you on May 19th!




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Garden Oaks Civic Club Meeting Minutes

Helen Sestak, Secretary

April 2, 2019

Location: Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet (GOMM)

Joe Casarez, GOCC President, called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

Guest Speaker: Doug Waldrep, Development Director of BikeHouston (bikehouston.org), was our guest speaker. BikeHouston is a non-profit (501c3) organization dedicated to encouraging and educating cyclists of all ages. Working with the city, law enforcement, and other organizations, they ultimately hope to make Houston a comfortable, healthy, cycling city by enhancing safety laws and creating a network of connected streets and trails.

One major effort is the "Build 50 Challenge", a campaign to build 50 miles of bikeways in 12 months. To date, about \$10 million has been secured and 36 miles have been completed. BikeHouston's continued advocacy and momentum (400+ volunteers, 1400+ members, 23,000+ supporters) will ultimately give Houstonians access to high comfort bike lanes. Remember to give cyclists 3 feet of safe clearance when you pass them. It is the law.

Two BikeHouston future fundraising events include the "Moonlight Ramble", an annual ride scheduled for October 19, 2019 and the "Bike Summit", a May 17, 2019 luncheon followed by free street demos on May 18, 2019.

An informative Q&A followed.

Business Meeting

A motion to approve last month's minutes was made and seconded. The minutes were approved.

Committee Reports

GOMO: Joe Casarez reported that votes on GOMO's plan are being tallied. The next hearing date is slated for Tuesday, April 9.

Treasurer's Report: No report.

Constable Patrol: Terry Jeanes has found someone to create thermometer-type signs that will show the current level of support vs. our goal for the Constable program. Anticipated completion of signs is two weeks. Two constables visited and spoke.

Beautification: No report.

Garden Oaks Website: Pam Parks reported that the site is updated daily. Check www.gardenoaks.org.

Citizen Patrol: Mark Saranie said that patrollers are still needed. Two incidents, one in section one and another in section four, were reported. Kudos to Deputy Joe for always looking out for the neighborhood.

Membership: Dian Austin reported that there are currently 224 paid civic club members and 239 constable supporters. The committee is working on "New Neighbor" welcome packets to distribute to new residents. Contact Membership@gardenoaks.org if you would like to help.

A GOCC Social Hour will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 5:30-7 pm, at El Tiempo Cantina at 12440 NW Freeway, just north of 43rd. El Tiempo has generously agreed to donate appetizers. Please come out and meet your neighbors and enjoy good food and beverages!

Shawn Spear won a \$25 Lowe's gift card in the raffle.

Gazette: Joe Muscara reported that May articles are due April 15, 2019. Send submissions to gazette@gardenoaks.org.

Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet: Linda Kelly reported that the GOMM dedication is scheduled for April 4, 2019 at 10 am and all are invited. Guests will include Mayor Turner, the HISD superintendent, and local and national representatives.

Government Affairs / GO CIP: Tonya Knauth reported that nearby infrastructure issues, such as needed street repairs, can be reported by calling or emailing 311 or Council Member Ellen Cohen's office.

Section 1 Commercial Development: Carrie Arnett emailed that Gulf Coast Development has submitted their plat application to the city. It will take 6-8 weeks to process. A public hearing will be held on April 11. Carrie's understanding is that the re-plat is a requirement for closing, but will not affect the Declaration of Restrictions. The anticipated closing date for sale of the property is sometime in May, 2019.

New Business: A "letter to the editor" policy was defined for the *Gazette*. Editor Joe Muscara reviewed policies from local and national newspapers. Some discussion

followed. A motion was made and seconded that the *Gazette* have formal guidelines for letters to the editor. The motion was passed.

The new policy will include that letters shall not exceed 250 words, must be written by a Garden Oaks property owner or resident, must contain the author's full name and contact information (address and phone number, for verification purposes only) and will be rejected outright if libelous or profane. The editor's discretion will be used in determining if a letter is published.

The next GOCC meeting will be held on May 7, 7 pm, at GOMM. Lauren Simpson of St. Julian's Crossing Wildlife Habitat, will be our guest speaker.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 pm.

Twenty-seven attendees enjoyed great pizza, generously donated again by Brother's Pizzeria on North Shepherd.

2019 Master Gardener Green Thumb May Lecture

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the Harris County Master Gardeners **free** Green Thumb Gardening Series is Tuesday, May 21st from 6:30-8:30 pm at Spring Branch Memorial Library, 930 Corbindale, Houston 77024. May's topic is Water Conservation. No reservation needed.

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Constable Program

Terry Jeanes, Program Chair

Welcome Garden Oaks' newest patroller, Deputy Desiree Pesina.

Good news — large thermometer signs are currently being made and should be installed sometime in May. These will track our progress in reaching our financial contribution goals.

How Can You Help?

Contribute to the Constable Program annually. The 2019 form is in this month's *Gazette*. Note that the minimum requested annual contribution is \$250. You may also pay online at www.gardenoaks.org. You can pay monthly or annually. We make it simple for you to support the program. If you want a GO Constable Supporter sign for your yard or a 2019 sticker for your current sign, please email goconstable@gmail.com.

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HPD (Non-Emergency)	713-884-3131
Precinct One Constable Dispatch	713-755-7628
All Other City Services	311

Constable Statistics March 2019

Data are provided monthly for the two contracts with the Harris County Precinct 1 Constable deputies who patrol Garden Oaks. The number of responses is shown for each category.

Alarm Calls – 9
Burglary Habitation – 1
Burglary Motor Vehicle - 1
Check Park/ School/Neighborhood – 16
Check Business - 2
Contract Check – 202
Disturbance/Loud Noise – 2
Follow Up - 2
Meet the Citizen – 143
Mental Health – 1
Open Door/Window – 1
Solicitors - 1
Special Assignment - 1
Suspicious Person/Vehicle – 5
Theft Other - 1
Traffic Hazard - 2
Traffic Stops – 70
Vacation Watch – 3
Welfare Check - 2
Writ - 4

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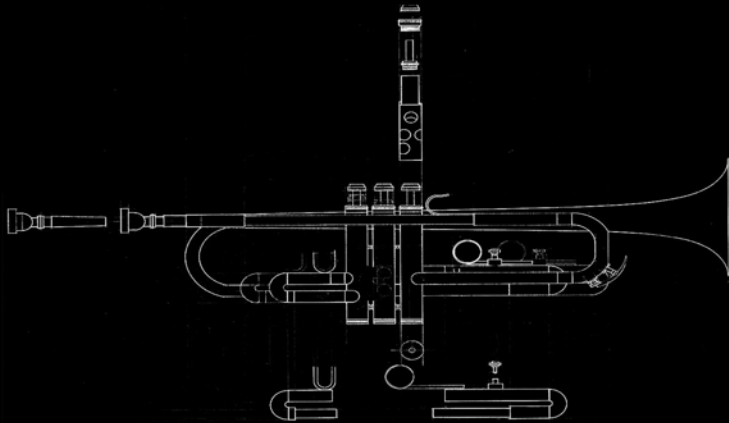
The following online locations are where your Garden Oaks neighbors gather. Please note that none of these are official groups and are not moderated nor controlled by any of the Garden Oaks organizations you know and love, though sometimes they will post announcements in order to reach neighborhood residents.

<http://nextdoor.com> (requires registration and verification of address. You will be added to Garden Oaks when verified)

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Fill in Amount:

\$ _____ Basic Membership **\$40** (\$20 for Seniors 65+)

\$ _____ Community Household Membership **\$100**

\$ _____ Business Membership (Non-Voting) **\$100**

\$ _____ Contribution to Beautification (all neighborhood green spaces)

\$ _____ Contribution to Garden Club (maintain Friendship Park, Section 1)

\$ _____ **TOTAL**

Please mail this completed form along with your check payable to:
Garden Oaks Civic Club, P.O. Box 10273, Houston, TX 77206

-OR-

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upon completion, you will receive e-mail confirmation of payment.

Name: _____

Address: _____

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E-Mail: _____

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Constable Patrol Dues Statement for 2019

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Please provide contact information for program member(s) at this address:

Member 1 Information

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Email: _____

Work Phone: _____

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Email: _____

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www.gardenoaks.org

GOMM News

*Lindsey Pollock, Ed.D., Principal,
Garden Oaks Montessori*

April was a very busy month at Garden Oaks Montessori. On the 4th, we celebrated the completion of the school construction with our building dedication. The ceremonies started with Garden Oaks' Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts leading the Pledge of Allegiance. Dr. Granita Lathan and School Board Trustee Elizabeth Santos spoke at the event held in our beautiful new gymnasium. We had a packed house and enjoyed musical presentations from Ms. Julian's Lower Elementary class (1st, 2nd and 3rd graders) as well as the Garden Oaks Singers. Josephine Damion, Student Council President, also addressed the crowd and shared her insights about her experience as a Montessori student. Many members of the neighborhood joined us as well. The ceremonies ended with school tours and a reception hosted by the Garden Oaks' PTO Hospitality Committee.

Our school PTO also hosted our biggest fundraiser of the year – the Un-Gala! This year's theme was Peace, Love and Montessori. The event was held at the SPJST Lodge on Beall St. We had a sold-out crowd of GOMM staff, parents, and neighbors (thanks to Shelly Kennedy for underwriting a table). 70s music and costumes made it a night to remember. Thank you to all of the support provided by underwriters, silent auction item donations, and your presence at the event!

In other school news, summer school will be hosted at Garden Oaks this year. After spending the past two years at Oak Forest Elementary due to construction, we are back on campus. School hours in the summer are Monday – Thursday 8 am -2:30 pm from June 5 – July 3. We will also offer summer camps in music through our collaboration with the Houston Show Choir in the month of June.

Thank you to all of our neighbors for your support of your neighborhood school! I am honored to be a part of your community and to serve you and your families!

Memorial Day Holiday

Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. Many Americans observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials, holding family gatherings and participating in parades. Unofficially, it marks the beginning of the summer season.



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Section 5**Vacant** (2019)**Vacant** (2020)**Vacant** (2021)

Each director's term expires in
October of year in parentheses.

GOMO Update, March 2019

*Pam Parks, GOMO Office Manager***Plans were approved for:**

- 228 W 31st
- 207 W 31st
- 831 W 42nd
- 839 W 41st
- 1042 W 41st
- 1039 Lamonte
- 1321 Sue Barnett

Revised plans were approved for:

- 851 W 43rd

Pending (re) submission:

- 1354 Sue Barnett

Deed Restriction Enforcement Activity for February (Year to Date):

- New reported violations – 4(5)
- Resolved/cleared – 2(2)
- Unresolved/pending – 6 (N/A)
- Litigation in progress – 0 (N/A)

GOMO Bankruptcy Information posted at gardenoaks.org

Proposed Restated Deed Restrictions and Bylaws posted at gardenoaks.org.

Court rulings and information are posted on the gardenoaks.org website.

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Mickey's Minute

Mickey Morales

If April showers bring May flowers, then we should have them in spades, along with gorgeous spring fruits and vegetables. As I write this, Farmer Cathy is just beginning to harvest the first dewberries and mulberries as well. Speaking of mulberries, I learned last year that the tree on my family crest is actually a mulberry tree. My friend Jenna who researched this started calling me Mickey Mulberry or just Mulberry, but I digress. Farmer Cathy will soon also be harvesting figs as well.

And just this past weekend I saw a customer buying several pints of dewberries from Gus and family's market stand. It seems that they are back on track at the farm after all of Gus's health problems last year. Did you know that the average age of farmers is somewhere above fifty-five plus? They don't seem to be making any more of them or at least not in quantities that are sustainable.

On another note, my threats to retire from the market seem to be unfounded. I have reached a level of peace with my participation that suits me just fine, and I have

been taking off one Saturday a month and will continue to do so through the summer. I was told a few months back that me not serving breakfast at the market was entirely unacceptable. However, if there are any aspiring cooks that are hoping to break into the pop-up business, come by and let's talk about pinch hitting for me. You won't get rich doing so, but it is a lot of fun and quite gratifying to serve our neighbors.

Also by the time this article is published, we may have finally passed a raw milk food bill through the legislature, allowing the purchase of milk at our little farmers market. Also at our market, we are in search of someone to take over the pastured meat booth. We already have the supply lines established and a good customer base. We're just looking for a warm smiling face to fill that need. With the raw milk bill (hopefully), Marguerite's breads, Farmer Cathy's eggs along with her and Gus's fruits and vegetables, we could be your all-natural grocery each Saturday. And with Karen's sweets, Gene's soaps and Christy's jams, jellies, and spreads, Whole Foods ain't got nothin' on us.

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My Favorite Air Filter Ever

Mitch Weigand

So, which is my favorite air filter and the one I recommend most often? It is the **dust lock integration or DLI filter**. The DLI filter allows air to flow freely through it. Good air flow is absolutely essential as it prevents the coil from freezing or the heat exchanger from overheating.

The DLI filter traps up to 90% of airborne particles beginning at 7-10 microns* in size. For example, mold spores are 10-30 microns. It accomplishes this while allowing a free flow of air that is critical to the well-being of your A/C system.

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I have personally witnessed a demonstration where an entire cup of dirt was poured into a DLI filter and not one speck came out the other side. Dust, pollen, and pet hair don't stand a chance.

DLI filters are approximately one-inch thick and custom cut to fit your A/C system. They are held in place with a wire grid that your service technicians can install. The filters are a very reasonable \$5.00 to \$8.00 apiece and come in a bag of 12. You can replace them yourself.

Simple is good and so is change

While simple in design (no complex pleating here), a DLI filter does its job very well and lasts at least one month, sometimes longer, depending on how many airborne particles you have indoors. Children, pets, and carpeting produce a lot of dust, dander and hair. With them in the house, I would replace the filter monthly. If you have no children or pets and have hardwood floors, it may last two to three months. A great rule of thumb is if you see dust on the white side of your DLI filter, it's time to replace it.

*Micron - One micron is one-millionth of a meter. There are 25,400 microns in one inch. Airborne particles that you can see start at about 40 microns.

Mitch Weigand is the owner of Air Wise™.

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Heard Under the Oak Tree

Terry Jeanes

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1051 Althea	4310 Apollo	939 Gardenia
951 Lamonte	1043 Lamonte	813 W. 31st
207 W. 33rd	705 A W. 34th	1007 W. 41st
1043 W. 41st	846 W. 42nd	954 West 42nd

Happy Birthday

Cheryl McCosh 1st	Brad Hem 2nd
Christopher K. 5th	Linda Sparks 8th
Ryan W. 9th	Jenny Odinet 14th
Victor Seghers 20th	Gaia O. 21st
Gareth O. 21st	Riley T. 22nd
Amelie P. 24th	Lauren S. 24th
Shannon Miller 31st	Rowan S. 31st

Happy Anniversary

Victor and Deb Seghers 3rd
Jason and Alisha Cunningham 16th

Out and About

The Ganze family enjoyed their annual ski trip to Tahoe. **The McLeans** took in a Bozeman Montana ski trip with Sean at the helm of the plane to and from. **Angela Weltin** spent a celebratory birthday weekend in New Mexico with a hot air balloon ride. **Mark and Susan Saranie** traveled to Costa Rica for a family wedding. **Pam Parks** donated her grandmother's 1972 Chevrolet Caprice Classic to Heights High School for their 2019 Art Car Parade entry, a tribute to Stevie Ray Vaughan (see photos to the right). **Caroline Stender** had a gals trip with friends including former Garden Oaks resident Janna Alsobrook.

Congratulations

To **Lee Kurtas** and his fellow cookoff team members who placed 3rd overall for ribs at this year's 2019 HLSR World

Championship BBQ cookoff. **Reese S.** received the game ball from her Red Raiders softball team, while **Garrat S.** got his game ball at his first game of the Timbergrove baseball season.

Special thoughts for the family of Kermit Foster who passed away in April.

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