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Garden Oaks Gazette

The newsletter of the Garden Oaks Civic Club

Wine Walk Tickets Now on Sale

Dian Austin, Committee Chair

The 11th annual Garden Oaks Wine Walk is slated for Saturday, October 19th, from 4 to 6:30 pm. This is our annual Constable Program fundraiser. Please help us raise funds to keep our two constable deputies patrolling in the neighborhood and surrounding areas by buying a ticket and attending the Wine Walk.

Tickets can be purchased via the ticket order form in this month's *Gazette* or online via Eventbrite: <https://2019ww.eventbrite.com>.

Tickets are \$100 per person, and Wine Pull tickets are \$20 each. All the monies raised go directly to the Garden Oaks Civic Club for payment of our two constable program contracts with Harris County Precinct One.

The Wine Walk is held in the gorgeous backyard of Ed and Brenda de Alba, and features 11 different tables, each pouring a different libation for you to taste. Most tables feature foods as well. DJ Eric Jarvis will be providing some tunes for the evening. Plonk! Beer and Wine Bistro will have a beer tasting tent. We will also feature the ever-popular Wine Pull and a few silent auction items.

This is our most fun event of the year, so please plan to join us. We only sell 200 tickets and we sell out every year, so get your tickets soonest!



Candidate Forums (Mayor and District C)

Mayoral - Tuesday,
September 3, 7 pm

District C - Wednesday
October 2, 7 pm

Garden Oaks Montessori
Gym

National Night Out

Tuesday, October 1

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GOMM Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, October 5

Garden Oaks Montessori

Wine Walk Constable Fundraiser

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Constable Patrol Program

Terry Jeanes, Program Chair

Let's Get The Red To Rise in our Constable Supporter Thermometers.

We are only at the contribution level for one deputy, rather than the current two deputies we now have patrolling the neighborhood and surrounding areas. As we go to print, residents have contributed \$83,508 for 2019. Each contract with Harris County Precinct One costs about \$75,000 annually. We have a long way to go to cover two deputies. Each contract provides a professional law enforcement deputy who patrols our neighborhood and its perimeter 40 hours per week.

Again, it's what law enforcement presence is worth to you. Do you value a quick response if your alarm is triggered, a check of your property while you are on vacation, the visibility and availability of constables patrolling the neighborhood and being close by in time of need? Every dollar counts. Your annual \$250 contribution will make a difference. Please donate today and ask your neighbors or friends to do so. In addition, share the information on your social media account.

Congratulations to Nikki Martin, Constable Supporter, winner of the first \$100 gift card drawing for supporters paid as of July. Stay tuned for more news and drawings. Thanks to Missy Alwais for donating the gift cards. Pay your Constable Contribution for 2019 and be eligible for the next several drawings.

Reminder: Our Deputies are Corporal Santos Torres and Deputy Desiree Pesina.

Become a Constable Program Supporter:
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Constable Dispatch: 713-755-7628

Sign up for Precinct One Crime Alerts: <http://pct1constable.net/sign-up/crime-alerts/>

Connect your alarm company monitoring with Constable Dispatch. Have the Constable Dispatch number as the first responder if your alarm sounds.

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2019 Wine Walk Sponsors

We are grateful to the following sponsors for supporting our community and the Constable Program. Many of these people/businesses have supported us for multiple years. Please thank these folks and patronize the businesses who support Garden Oaks.

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- 8 tickets to the Wine Walk (value \$800)
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- Recognition in the GO *Gazette* through year-end 2019
- Your logo/link on the Garden Oaks website

Platinum Plus (\$1500) Cash Contribution

- **Individual** sign at the entrance to the Wine Walk
- 6 tickets to the event (value \$600)
- Garden Oaks *Gazette* ½ page ad (value \$110)
- Recognition in the GO *Gazette* through year-end 2019
- Your logo/link on the Garden Oaks website

Platinum Sponsor (\$1000 Cash Contribution)

- **Individual** sign at the entrance to the Wine Walk
- Four tickets to the Wine Walk (value \$400)
- Garden Oaks *Gazette* ½ page ad (value \$110)
- Recognition in the GO *Gazette* through year-end 2019
- Your logo/link on the Garden Oaks website

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- **Shared** signage with other Gold Sponsors
- Garden Oaks *Gazette* Ad - 2 ¼" x 2 3/8" (value: \$60)
- Two tickets to the Wine Walk (value \$200)
- Recognition in the GO *Gazette* through year-end 2019
- Your link/logo on the Garden Oaks website

Silver Sponsor (\$300 Cash Contribution)

- **Shared** signage with other Silver Sponsors
- One ticket to the Wine Walk (value \$100)
- Recognition in the GO *Gazette* through year-end 2019
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Taking Back Gazebo Park

Joan Harmon and Pam Parks

The Garden Oaks tradition of having a volunteer "workday in the park" was brought back on Saturday August 10th, when about 15 area residents gathered on a steamy morning to get a head start on a major clean-up for Gazebo Park. Gazebo Park is located at Sue Barnett/W. 42nd/Lamonte, right in the midst of Garden Oaks.

The park had become overgrown with vines and various plants and the volunteer efforts could be easily seen and appreciated in several hours.

We want to attack other green spaces in Garden Oaks, such as the Section 1 Rose Garden, the Shepherd/Randall Berm, and along Garden Oaks Boulevard. The next project will depend on getting a volunteer to lead the effort. If interested in participating or in leading any of these park projects, please contact pam@gardenoaks.org to volunteer.



Photo credit: Dian Austin

Plans for Gazebo Park

August 10: Cut back the overgrowth to promote the desirable plantings. Done!

Aug–Sept: Build a core group of Gazebo Park volunteers. GO wants you!

Aug: Review the condition of the irrigation equipment for upgrade and/or repair.

Oct: Obtain bids to replace invasive plants with new plantings.

Nov: Make recommendations to GOCC for funding.

Gazebo park Workday photos by Dian Austin



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School Safety Tips

Stephanie Dubroff-Acosta

It is back to school time and that means school zones will be in effect! Garden Oaks Montessori (GOMM) serves children three years old to 8th grade. Our school hours for the 2019-20 school year are 8:30 am - 3:50 pm, Monday thru Friday.

The following are some safety reminders for driving in school zones from the National Safety Council:

- Put away your cell phone. **Cell phone use is banned in active school zones**, and violators face fines of up to \$200 in school zones where signs are posted.
- Don't block the crosswalk when stopped at a red light or waiting to make a turn, forcing pedestrians to go around you; this could put them in the path of moving traffic.
- In a school zone when flashers are blinking, stop and yield to pedestrians crossing the crosswalk or intersection.
- Always stop for a crossing guard holding up a stop sign. Note that there are five crossing guards for our school.
 1. Sue Barnett and W. 43rd
 2. Sue Barnett and W. 41st
 3. Sue Barnett and Garden Oaks Blvd.
 4. Sue Barnett and W. 39th
 5. Sue Barnett and W. 38th
- Take extra care to look out for children in school zones, near playgrounds and parks, and in all residential areas.
- Don't honk or rev your engine to scare a pedestrian, even if you have the right of way.
- Never pass a vehicle stopped for pedestrians.
- Always use extreme caution to avoid striking pedestrians wherever they may be, no matter who has the right of way.
- If you're driving behind a bus, allow a greater following distance than if you were driving behind a car. It will give you more time to stop once the yellow lights start flashing. It is illegal in all 50 states to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children. Although GOMM does not have

- many buses, there are many in our area!
- Never pass a bus from either direction if you're on an undivided road – if it is stopped to load or unload children.
- If the yellow or red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended, traffic must stop.
- The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children; stop far enough back to allow them space to safely enter and exit the bus.
- Be alert; children often are unpredictable, and they tend to ignore hazards and take risks.

On most roads, bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as vehicles, but bikes can be hard to see. Children riding bikes create special problems for drivers because usually they are not able to properly determine traffic conditions. The most common cause of collision is a driver turning left in front of a bicyclist.

- When passing a bicyclist, proceed in the same direction slowly, and leave 3 feet between your car and the cyclist.
- When turning left and a bicyclist is approaching in the opposite direction, wait for the rider to pass.
- If you're turning right and a bicyclist is approaching from behind on the right, let the rider go through the intersection first, and always use your turn signals.
- Watch for bike riders turning in front of you without looking or signaling; children especially have a tendency to do this.
- Be extra vigilant in school zones and residential neighborhoods.
- Watch for bikes coming from driveways or behind parked cars.
- Check side mirrors before opening your door.

By exercising a little extra care and caution, drivers and pedestrians can co-exist safely in school zones.

Emergency Numbers

Crimes in progress, fire, or ambulance	911
HPD (Non-Emergency)	713-884-3131
Precinct One Constable Dispatch	713-755-7628
All Other City Services	311

Garden Oaks Civic Club Meeting Minutes

Helen Sestak, Secretary

August 6, 2019

Location: Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet (GOMM)

Tonya Knauth, GOCC Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

New attendee, Section 3 resident Jean Valka, introduced herself.

District C City Council candidates Shelley Kennedy, Mary Jane Smith, Candelario Cervantez, and Greg Meyers presented short summaries of their concerns and issues. They were invited to participate in the October candidate forum.

Audia Jones, a candidate for Harris County DA, briefly summarized her platform.

Guest Speaker: Randy Odinet, Garden Oaks resident and project director with the Memorial Park Conservancy, was guest speaker. He gave an update on the many happenings in the park.

In 2015, Memorial Park Conservancy, along with the city of Houston, instituted a 10-year Master Plan to enhance, restore, and maintain the park. This multi-million dollar initiative provided a framework to re-purpose and ecologically restore many areas that were devastated during the 2011 drought and subsequent pine beetle infestation.

The Master Plan includes three capital improvement areas: the Eastern Glades, a multi-use sports complex, and a new land bridge.

Eastern Glades development was undertaken first. Wetlands and lake construction continues, but visitors can currently enjoy new picnic gathering areas, pavilions, restrooms, and an updated running track in this ~100 acre area in the SE part of the park.

The sports fields, currently based in the south part of the park, will be relocated to the park's NE corner, near I10.

This second plan component will begin in 2020. Several multi-use fields and courts, including parking, will be established.

The third and final phase, the land bridge over Memorial Drive, will connect the north and south sides of the park. Additional wetlands and prairie habitats will be reintroduced to the area. Anticipated completion is late 2022.

Both paid and free parking is implemented. Patrons use paid parking (\$1 for three hours), at "convenience" spots, such as the tennis and golf parking areas.

For more detailed information:
www.memorialparkconservancy.org.

Business Meeting

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

Treasurers Report: Teresa Coleman provided copies of her report. She reiterated that her Constable Patrol income reflects funds received in 2019. This is different from the neighborhood thermometers that report Constable funds raised for 2019, some of which was received in 2018.

Committee Reports

Constable Patrol: Terry Jeanes reported that to date \$82,208 has been raised for the 2019 Constable Program. The Gulf Coast Development Group has pledged a \$25,000 one-time donation toward this effort. Local businesses benefit greatly from the Constable patrol.

Be vigilant. A neighbor living in the 800 block of W. 41st woke up to his wheel-less truck last month. Early morning walkers witnessed the thieves in action but thought they were construction workers.

National Night Out is Tuesday, Oct 1.

Nikki Martin, paid Constable supporter, won a \$100 El Tiempo gift card, generously donated by Missy Alwais.

Terry introduced Deputy Desiree Pesina and Cpl Santos Torres. They encouraged everyone to sign up for vacation watch, to be vigilant in school zones, and to report suspicious activity. They are aware of issues with

transients near Garden Oaks.

Five thermometer-type signs throughout the neighborhood show current fund-raising levels.

Beautification: Joan Harmon was absent. Teresa Coleman mentioned a volunteer workday in Gazebo Park scheduled for Saturday August 10.

Garden Oaks Website: Pam Parks reported that all is good. Teresa emphasized that GOCC will cover hosting and security costs for the www.gardenoaks.org website for the next 12 months. Anticipated costs are about \$600.

Citizen Patrol: Mark Saranie was absent. Tonya reminded all to volunteer if possible. Check www.gardenoaks.org for information on the VIP program.

Membership: Dian Austin reported 246 paid Civic club members and 300 Constable supporters. Wine Walk tickets (proceeds benefit the Constable patrol) are on sale now. Sponsorships are available! To date, seven sponsors have stepped up.

Gazette: Joe Muscara was absent. Tonya reminded all that September articles are due August 15, 2019. Send submissions to gazette@gardenoaks.org.

GOMM: Dr Pollock reported that 2019-2020 school enrollment is at capacity. The first day of school is August 26, 2019. Teachers report August 12. Traffic during pick-up and drop-off times is expected to be high. Avoid the area around Sue Barnett between 38th and 41st until smooth traffic patterns are in place once school is underway.

School buildings are getting new roofs.

The pancake breakfast and silent auction is scheduled for October 5 and sponsorships are available.

Government Affairs / GO CIP: Tonya Knauth did not have any new information.

Section 1 Commercial Development: The parking lot is now owned by Gulf Coast Development Corp.

New Business: Brenda de Alba reported that there will not be a 2020 Home and Garden Tour. Volunteer support has waned. If you were a previous tour sponsor and love

Garden Oaks, please consider a sponsorship to the Wine Walk, scheduled for October 19, from 4 to 6:30 pm. Thanks to Ed and Brenda de Alba for once again hosting the Wine Walk in their beautiful yard.

If you have new neighborhood fundraising ideas, we'd like to hear them.

The Civic Club, in coordination with Super Neighborhood 12, will host two candidate forums. A mayoral forum is scheduled for September 3rd at 7 pm in the GOMM gym. All candidates have confirmed their attendance.

The second forum will be held for City Council District C candidates on Wednesday October 2 at 7 pm in the GOMM gym.

A hearty shout out to Brothers Pizzeria for their continued, generous monthly pizza donations to our meeting attendees! Twenty-three people went home with full stomachs. Support local businesses. We all benefit.

The next GOCC meeting will be the City of Houston Mayoral Candidate Forum and will be held on September 3rd, 7 pm, at Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet School in the gym.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm.

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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-

Pay online at www.gardenoaks.org/membership;
upon completion, you will receive e-mail confirmation of payment.

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Address: _____

Phone: _____

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Constable Patrol Dues Statement for 2019

[] New Member or [] Renewal

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

Member 1 Information

Name: _____

Email: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Member 2 Information

Name: _____

Email: _____

Work Phone: _____

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Emergency Contact Information

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Home Phone: _____

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Payment Options (Checks made payable to GOCC)

[] Enclosed is the minimum requested payment of \$250 for 2019.

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[] I/We will pay online (see below).

[] Please accept my additional gift of \$ _____ for the year to help a neighbor on fixed income.

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2019 Garden Oaks Wine Walk Table Hosts

Our annual Constable Program fundraiser would not be possible without the generosity of our table hosts. Each table host provides at least a case of wine (or wines) and foods at their own expense. Most of these folks have been repeat hosts for many, many years. Thank you to these generous neighbors and neighborhood businesses. We appreciate you! Thank you for supporting our Constable Patrol Program.

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 - Kip & Kari Noser
 - Matt & Erica Gannon

- Harry James Building + Design
- Heidi & Stuart Arouty
- Karie Tiner-Goad, Coldwell Banker Metropolitan
- Plonk! Beer & Wine Bistro
- Scott Miller
- Tina Rowe & Jim DiCola

2019 Master Gardener Green Thumb September Lecture

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the Harris County Master Gardeners **free** Green Thumb Gardening Series is Tuesday, September 17th from 6:30-8:30 pm at Spring Branch Memorial Library, 930 Corbindale, Houston 77024. September's topic is an Open Q/A Forum so please bring your gardening questions. No reservation needed.

Master Gardener experts will be on hand to answer your questions.

2019 GARDEN OAKS WINE WALK
Saturday October 19, 4 - 6:30 pm
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___ Yes! Reserve ___ tickets @ \$100 each for a total of \$ ___

Name: _____
(Note: this is the name in which your tickets will be held at Will Call.)

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Email: _____

Additionally, I'd like to purchase ___ Wine Pull tickets
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Heard Under the Oak Tree

Terry Jeanes

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1349 Sue Barnett	316 W. 30th	519 W. 30th
219 W. 34th	1002 W. 41st	810 W. 42nd
915 W. 42nd	1047 W. 42nd	751 W. 43rd
803 W. 43rd	834 W. 43rd	923 W. 43rd

Happy Birthday

Rita Hartman 8th	Gretchen S. 9th
Sylvia Escobedo 16th	Jacopo W. 20th
Allison Mattingly 21st	John Beddow 22nd
Candice Croker 25th	

Happy Anniversary

Trent & Megan Salch 5th
 Phil Ramirez & Gina Pecoraro 7th
 Rick & Tonya Knauth 29th
Special 50th Anniversary Wishes – Mike & Diane Heath 7th

Out and About

Catherine Norton Bernelle and 22 family members attended the funeral of Chaplain George K. Norton (Vietnam, 6 Bronze Stars, 2 Purple Hearts, 1 Silver Star), at Arlington National Cemetery, and also visited the White House.

Gina & John Greenslate attended the Consumers Energy 400 at Michigan International Speedway.

Tina Sabuco hosted her Arts Alive Retreat at Abundance in Wimberley. **The Zindler-Feit** family's recent road trip included TN, NC, and NOLA.

The McKeown Gang visited Fiji and New Zealand. While the **Lozanos** did Surfside and the **Arnetts** did Austin, the **Seghers** family visited NYC, Barcelona, and Beijing. **Margie Hesse** toured Iceland. **Ann Best** visited Goliad

State Park and Historic Site Espiritu Santo Mission.

Terry Jeanes toured Key West and the Bahamas with a longtime friend of over 30 years. **The O'Guynn family** vacationed in Cozumel. For the **McLeans** it was a whirlwind of emotions traveling through Poland, Germany, and France. **Erin Donaho and Shreda Paire** had a great time with friends in Key West. **Margarita Barcenas and Kevin Klotz** enjoyed a night with MC Hammer. **Celeste and Jaime Zamora** visited Oaxaca. **The Goads** had an amazing trip with family in Scotland. **The Salch** family enjoyed Orange Beach, Alabama.

Congratulations to Leader Choice Award recipient **Julie Sherber** – 1st Place - Best Travel Agent - Vitrol Travel. Kudos to **Riley Tatum** who received his Eagle Scout rank; a special Court of Honor Celebration was held for him in August. **Kylie S.** was named to the Incarnate Word Volleyball team; what a great way to start high school.

To highlight an event, celebration or other tidbit, please submit information no later than the 13th of the month to Terry Jeanes at terry@terryjeanes.com.

Constable Statistics July 2019

Data are provided monthly for the 2 contracts with the Harris County Precinct 1 Constable deputies who patrol Garden Oaks. The number of responses is shown for each category.

Accident – 2	Special Assignment – 2
Alarm Calls – 10	Stranded Motor Vehicle – 1
Burglary Motor Vehicle – 1	Suspicious Person/Vehicle – 10
Check Business – 1	Theft Other – 3
Check Neighborhood/Park/Parking Lot/School – 29	Traffic Hazard – 3
Contract Check – 108	Traffic Initiative – 3
Disturbance/Family/Other – 2	Traffic Stops – 14
Drug OD/Possession – 1	Vacation Watch – 97
DWI – 1	Welfare Check – 1
Information Call – 1	
Meet the Citizen – 81	
Open Door/Window – 3	
Property Found/Lost – 2	

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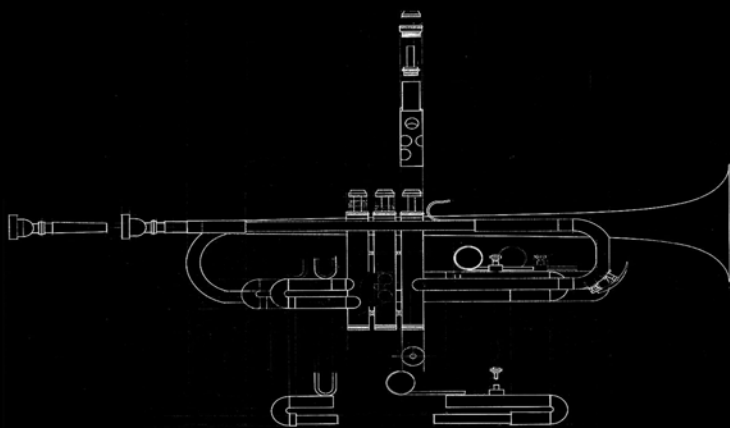
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Mickey's Minute

Mickey Morales

Yippee! It's finally September and we're beyond the halfway mark of the long slow creep of summer weather on the Gulf Coast. Although we're not out of the woods yet, at least the thermometer will hover in the low to mid-nineties, not the triple digits that we just experienced for six straight days at the time of this writing. It also means y'all should expect to see me every Saturday beginning this month because even if I am cooking across the street on a Friday night, the turn-around in a twenty-four hour period isn't as stressful as when it includes a one hundred degree dosage.

It also ushers in the change of plantings and harvesting for Farmer Cathy and Gus and company. Sometime soon you can expect to see tomatoes again, usually the smaller varieties like Matts Wild. The larger ones just don't survive the summer heat but can be replanted and appear later in the fall. Most folks aren't aware that tomatoes won't set fruit unless the overnight

temperatures drop below seventy degrees and quit producing entirely when it falls below fifty. There should be plenty of squash, eggplant, peppers, okra and such for months to come.

Marguerite should be back from holiday by now and along with Karen should have all of your baked goods covered. Kristy is fully recovered and supplying us with jam, jellies, and spreads. Chuck has become a regular fixture selling foliage for your garden, and the ever gregarious Gene has all your skin care needs taken care of as well. We also may have been joined by our old pal Steve with his custom-made cutting boards, salt and pepper wells, and writing pens.

Sounds like a pretty well-rounded market to me. I will more than likely have free range chickens on a regular basis and am thinking about bringing back some other staple proteins like ground beef, pork sausages, and a few other cuts from Black Hill Ranch.

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Mitch Weigand

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The cons include that it creates a lot of noise while running and the fumes can be toxic. A portable generator also requires constant monitoring and fuel refilling.

Another choice — Automatic Stand-by Generator

An automatic stand-by generator is a back-up electrical system that operates whether you are home or away. It's ready and within seconds of an electrical outage, automatically supplies power directly to your home's circuit breaker box. Once electricity is restored, the

generator shuts itself off and waits for the next outage.

Stand-by generators operate on natural gas or liquid propane (LP) gas and sit in the yard just like your central A/C system's outside condenser.

The American Red Cross recommends the stand-by generator over a portable generator as the superior method to provide back-up power to your home for several reasons. First, when installed correctly, it leaves your home free of potentially deadly carbon monoxide, unlike a portable generator. Also, it's less expensive to run via natural gas than using gasoline for a portable generator. It eliminates the hassle of hauling a portable generator outside or running extension cords throughout your home. And finally, a stand-by generator starts automatically after a power outage, whether you are home or not, and turns itself off when utility power is restored.

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