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# **Garden Oaks Gazette**

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Civic Club Meeting Tuesday, April 14, 7pm at Garden Oaks Baptist Church

Garden Oaks Home Tour April 30

# "1989 – Tour Homes"

The Garden Oaks Home Tour Committee is pleased to announce the 1989 Home Tour Addresses as follows:

710 42nd Street 811 W. 41st Street 810 W. 41st Street 1010 Lamonte Street 34 W. 43rd Street

We, the Home Tour Committee, would like to thank our Homeowners for their time and generosity.

**Terry Russey** 



'89 Poster, Delton Gerdis. He will be available to custom watercolor your signed and numbered (limited to 150) poster on site only at this premier party!!!

> Questions??? Info... 862-9623 - 956-9469

#### **T**–Shirts

The 1989 Home Tour T–Shirt will be on sale April 2, 1989 at the Premier Party.

The T-Shirt will be an adaptation of our poster and promises to be very desireable.

Buy a T–Shirt and advertise the **best** neighborhood in Houston!



# **Raffle Tickets**

For the first time in several years, the Home Tour Committee will host a raffle.

There will be several prizes offered such as jewelry, flowers, dinners and much much more. The Grand Prize will be the original signed artwork of our Home Tour poster.

Tickets will go on sale April 2, 1989 during the Premier Party and continue through the Home Tour.

So, come to the Premier Party. Buy Posters, T–Shirts, and Raffle Tickets and support your neighborhood.

# Saturday Work Day - April 8

Begins at 9:00 a.m. Check in at the park at Sue Barnett/Lamonte/ 42nd Street. We will break into smaller groups to touch all areas of Garden Oaks. Bring your hoe, shovel and/or any other tools you think might be helpful and join our neighborhood team. If you can't be with us but would like to show support please drop cokes, chicken or dessert by the park for everyone to share lunch as high noon rolls around. See you there. Any questions??? 956-9469

### From the President

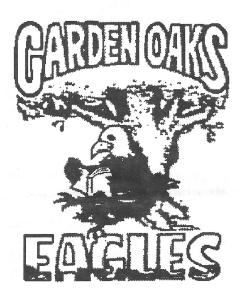
Recently many of you were concerned about the type of business that may lease the now vacant World Wide Health Studio property. A little research indicated that the owner of that property is Dr. E.L. Crain, Jr., a member of Garden Oaks' founding family. I wrote him a letter asking for any information and for his future consideration of our neighborhood in leasing this property. He called me the day he received the letter, and when I was out, called again until we spoke. He was extremely gracious and mentioned how very proud of Garden Oaks he was. He assured me of his high regard for the neighborhood and offered to contact his agents immediately to verify that no such lease was being considered.

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#### From President - cont. from p. 2

I believe that Garden Oaks has a friend in Dr. Crain, just one of many we have made over the years. Area businesses that keep their property neat and clean, churches who offer their facilities for our meetings, cheerful donations to our many activities, past residents who still spread the message that Garden Oaks is Great, etc. All friends worth appreciating.

Susan M Millian



#### Garden Oaks Elementary School

April is a month for testing and testing. Children and teachers are evaluated upon the results of the Teams and Mat 6 tests, both of which are administered in April. With the renewed interest in public schools and the abundant source of future Garden Oaks Eagles in our community, we're looking for good results again this year. Good Luck Kids!

Students recently completed Jump Rope for Heart and are proud to have collected donations of approximately \$2,000.00. Twenty teams of 6 students each jumped for three hours as "Disc Jockey Chapin" blasted all the "hot" tunes for inspiration. Once again Teresa Tejera coordinated a successful event and the children refined their

LOOK UP TO GOD .... REACH OUT TO PEOPLE ... GARDEN OAKS BAPTIST CHURCH 3206 North Shepherd Houston, Texas 77018, 864-4447 Bible Study - 9:45 A.M. Morning Worship - 11:00 P.M. Church Training - 5:45 P.M. Evening Worship - 6:45 P.M. Wednesday Prayer Service - 5:45 P.M. Jerry W. Lemon, Ph.D., Pastor **CERTIFIED BUILDERS** 203 W. Crosstimbers Houston, Texas 77018 CUSTOM BUILDING COMMERCIAL-RESIDENTIAL STORES HOMES NEW or OLD LARRY NORDENSTROM 692-3125 Ultimate Expressions Flowers - Gifts - Catering 5353A Antoine Houston, Texas 77091 (713) 956-9207 10% discount with this ad J. Terry Russey A GARDEN OAKS RESIDENT GAZETTE AD RATES PER MONTH \$35 FOR THREE \$100 FOR SIX \$175 SUPPORT GAZETTE ADVERTISERS!

awareness of health problems in our society.

Congratulations to Pre-Kindergarten teacher **Sandy Shelton** -March Teacher of the Month.

PTA Texas Life Memberships were awarded to teachers Lillian Brown and Teresa Tejera for all their years of PTA involvement and hard work. Everyone is proud to have these teachers at Garden Oaks. Congratulations!

Second graders recently were invited to spend two days at the Briargrove Literature Center. It was a special treat as students experienced the presentation of literature through the use of different media. Garden Oaks is blessed with a wonderful, well equipped library, easily capable of meeting every young reader's desire, even after a stimulating visit to Briargrove.

Watch for the announcement of the PTA's first BOOK FAIR to be held during the week of April 10-14. There will be books for everyone and books are such an easy way to support an organization you care about. Care about us and visit the First Annual Book Fair!

Garden Oaks will certainly benefit from the recent approval of Project Renewal and the sale of additional bonds to improve our schools. Our wish list is in place and we're looking forward to future improvements.

A big treat Tuesday, April 11th! The April PTA meeting will be honored with the presentation of a Walt Disney musical. Once again Mrs. Klan's music makers are hard at work to prepare the musical. Please visit us at 7:00 p.m. for a short meeting and a Disney delight.

> Danese McWhorter President, PTA

Garden Oaks Children's Parade Mother's Day Eve – May 13, 1989 10:00 a.m. Entry Packets Available Call 862-9623 or 956-9469

#### Garden Oaks Good Neighbor Award

The votes have been tabulated and the first Garden Oaks Good Neighbor has been named. The judges were Dr. Jerry Lemon, Pastor of Garden Oaks Baptist Church, Larry McKaskle, Councilman of District A which includes Garden Oaks, and RoseAnne Aelfke, Marketing Director of Northwest Memorial Hospital. The Judges had a difficult decision. Five letters of nominations were received for this quarter.

Martha Holland nominated Winston Barten for his thoughtfulness toward his neighbors including helping with yardwork and household projects and organizing a Christmas Caroling Party, Jaime Fenner Pierce wrote about Olive Watsen who has gone out of her way to make people feel welcome by helping with daily tasks and relating Garden Oaks History to her younger neighbors. Colette Coffman offered Dennis and Doris Koebelen who introduced Colette to the Civic Club and made her feel welcome as well as assisting her in several major cleanup/fix up projects at her home. Steve and Kaye Parise named Jerry and Danese McWhorter as people who care about the neighborhood and involve themselves in sports, P.T.A., and church activities. The winning letter was submitted by Elizabeth Hale lauding Fredrick Cowart, 1422 Sue Barnett, who has been an area resident for over thirty years and can often be observed walking to and from his daily errands "always cheerful", with a smile and a wave. He assisted Elizabeth during her move to Garden Oaks, and has since related many stories about the neighborhood and residents. Elizabeth has observed that he is very helpful to older residents who have difficulty doing their yardwork and watches out for everyone's home while they are away.

**Mr. Cowart** received a lovely handmade certificate, a beautiful plant from Flowertime Florist, and a dinner for four at a nearby restaurant.



Nominations for the second quarter of 1989 will be April 1 to May 12. There are a lot of great neighbors out there so take a few minutes to think of someone you would like to receive this honor. For more information, call Suzanne Debien, Suzanne Debien Realtors, 697-5220.



#### Heard Under the Oak Tree

Willard Mills returned home in good condition after overnight stay in a nearby hospital. We wish you a clean bill of health, Willard!

Denise Epstein won the door prize at the March Civic Club Meeting. The prize was movie tickets.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Loebelen of 512 W. 31st Street will celebrate their 50th anniversary on April 16. Congratulations to both of you! Best wishes on the 50 years!

The Garden Club wishes to acknowledge that they still have a few cook books to sell. Please order a cook book from Vee Gaines @ 686-5042 before they sell out.

Garden Club Meeting will be on Thursday, April 13, 1989 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Vee Gaines.

April Civic Club Meeting will be a covered dish meeting. Don't forget to bring a covered dish!

#### Membership Drive Challenge Section by Section

Call to help as a Section or Block Volunteer. Suggestions being accepted for winning section winners.

Call Grace @ 862-9623

#### Critter Corner by David Horsley

On Monday, March 13, a dozen neighbors met to discuss recycling and plan a recycling effort for Garden Oaks. We all agreed that our neighborhood is ripe for recycling, and now is a perfect time to get started, since the City of Houston will soon require all household garbage to be bagged. Talk centered around choosing the best method of getting started, and what we will do with all the money we will make. Stay tuned for more information in next month's Gazette. The committee members are:

- Grace Blair
- Theresa Coleman
- Rusty Day
- David Horsley
- Ann Kilgore
- Marian Mabry
- Tim Pagel
- Steve & Kay Parisi
- Pam Parks
- Mrs. Romans
- Anita Scherer

Jan Koenig wants you to know that the Garden Oaks Vegetable Garden could use some of your leaves and grass clippings as mulch. He and his committee will fence off a part of the garden for neighbors to deposit leaves in, and thereby save space in the Browning-Ferris landfill for things that really should be thrown away, like those new loud car stereos and all dirt bikes.

The red-tailed hawk continues to make news. Geraldine Warhonl called to say she had watched that big old bird finish off a squirrel in her yard. I wonder if it ate the tail? Guess I should have asked. She says it is a truly magnificent animal, when viewed from close range.

Recently the neighborhood kids knocked on my door, and held out for my inspection a tiny, hairless pink something. It was alive put moved in slow-motion. They reported that it was a baby opossum, having been found with the carcass of an adult opossum out in the easement. Apparently a dog



got the mamma but forgot to check for babies. Last I heard they were going to put the baby 'possum in with a fresh litter of rabbits, and see if mamma rabbit noticed anything unusual. Wouldn't that be something -- a 'possum that thought it was a rabbit?

#### Garden Club Holds Meeting

The Garden Oaks Garden Club held their first meeting of 1989 on March 9 at the home of Grace Blair. New Officers were presented at the meeting. They are:

- President, Katherine Hardin
- 1st Vice President, Christine
   Winkelmann
- 2nd Vice President, Grace
  Blair
- Secretary, Lisabell Katzer
- Treasurer, Candy Foster

Club yearbooks were presented to each member present. Candy Foster reviewed the book which outlines the purpose of the Club, duties of the officers and committees, and club rules.

There were four new members present. They were: Marguerite Miller, Jackie Batis, Anne Balson and Gabriella Clark.

Standing committees for the 1989 Club Year were named. They are:

- Telephone, Ethel Hildebrand and Mildred Bloodworth
- Sunshine, Lana Miller and Marguerite Miller
- Publicity, Marian Mabry and Anne Baison
- Yard of the month, Kay Paul and Jackie Batis

The Club will hold its Annual Rummage Sale on April 22. Plans for the sale will be finalized at the April meeting (13th). The Garden Club meets on the second Thursday of each month except January, February, July and August. All Garden Oaks residents are invited to participate. For more information call Publicity Director,

Ann Balson at 697-0453

#### Welcome to Our New Neighbors

Kevin Willis, Nancy Nalence and daughter Gracie - 328 W. 32nd Street

Jeff and Debbie Cop - 878 W. 42nd Street

Will and Francis Lees - 208 W. 33rd Street

Irene and Paul Fong - 710 W. 32nd Street

#### In Appreciation

A note of thanks to those who attended our Candidates Forum last month. It was a great success with over 125 people in attendance. Many said that their minds were made up by the event and they appreciated the opportunity.

It also represented the first (of what I hope is many) cooperative efforts between our area Civic Associations.

Special thanks to Dr. Don Goodwin, and St. Matthew's United Methodist Church for providing their facilities (for the third time) free of charge to our Civic Club.

Susan MM Millian

#### **Good Neighbors**

Thank you Tom Glass for the great idea and follow through for the Candidate's Forum.

A special thanks goes to the Refreshment Committee for the March Meeting.

> David Horsley George Keegan **Terry Weinburger** Cindy Weed Martha Rhea

Thank you Terry Jeanes of Century 21 - Bill Hartman for the March Door Prize.

We wish to express our appreciation to Keith Bradley with First American National Securities, Inc. for the informative presentation at the March Civic Club Meeting.

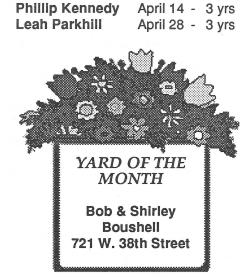
April Calendar of Events						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
						1 Community Garden 9:00 am
<b>2</b> Home Tour Premier Party 2:00 pm	3	<b>4</b> Civic Club 7:00 pm	<b>5</b> Gazette Deadline	6	7	8 Work Day 9:00 am
9	<b>10</b> Garden Oaks Book Fair	<b>11</b> Garden Oaks PTA Meeting 7:00 pm	12	13 Garden Club 7:00 pm	14	15 Community Garden 9:00 am
16	17	18	19	20	21	<b>22</b> Garden Club Rummage Sale
23	24	25	26	27	28	<b>29</b> Community Garden 9:00 am
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April 30 - 2 yrs

April 8 - 4 yrs

**April Birthdays** 

**Amanda Weed** 

**Kelly Alexander** 

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