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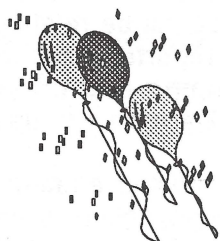
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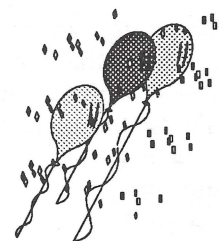
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Civic Club Meeting Tuesday, September 5, 7pm at Garden Oaks Baptist Church



Come to Heights Festival Sunday, October 1



Hail! All Hail! Once again we are approaching that revered day of celebration, the Houston Heights Festival! On Sunday, October 1, Heights Blvd. will be closed to traffic between 12:30 and 6:30 pm. There will be live entertainment, food booths, and arts and crafts. Garden Oaks will have a food and drink booth. Our location is the west side of the 1700 block at booth number 1732.

A loose knit committee is forming to participate in this year's activities. The committee thus far consists of:

Sammie Broadrick
Margaret Hall, Chairman
Joan Harmon
Ric Luck
Anita Scherer
Cindy Weed
Terry Weinberger

Everyone can help by joining the committee, working in the booth, loaning your large ice chests, or donating canned soft drinks such as Coke, Diet Coke, Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Dr. Pepper, and Sprite. Look for the 99 cent sales. Our goal is 50 cases and so far we have two. If you would rather donate \$5.00 toward the purchase of a case, that would also be appreciated. Please contact **Terry Weinberger** at 692-7248 if you would like to work in the booth and **Margaret Hall** at 691-1576 if you would like to join the committee or donate items.

Come join us on October 1 and see our beautiful booth! This is a great way to get out and meet your neighbors. Last year was our first attempt, and it was the second highest money maker of the year! All Garden Oaks residents get a free

drink just for coming out. If you didn't hear about us last year, we were one loud and crazy booth!

Building Fate Subject of September Meeting

The September Civic Club meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 5 at 7:00pm at the Garden Oaks Baptist Church on Shepherd. The fate of the old Garden Oaks Civic Club building on 34th Street will be the subject of discussion. Please come and bring your input as to what should be done with the building. This is a very important meeting, and we need everyone's participation.

From The President. . .

Chantal was just enough storm to blow away our plans for ice cream and stories. As I write this, I don't even know if the second attempt was successful, but I really appreciate Grace Blair for just saying "YES" when I asked her to take over for me. Well, whatever happened, we will try again another time.

September's meeting will feature a full discussion of everyone's thoughts on the fate of the old Civic Club building. Please come especially if you have strong feelings one way or the other. The worst part of being a leader of anything is begging for input prior to a decision, getting none, and then hearing about why the one you made was wrong after the fact. (Right, Grace, Jim, Kay, Bill, Glenda, Pete, and all the other past presidents I can't remember right now?) We want to consider all sides of this most important issue.

Secondly, we really want your thoughts on the proposed SPARK park at Garden Oaks Elementary School. So far the committee to plan the park includes:

myself;

Jean Dodd, Garden Oaks Elementary Principal;

Linda Reichle, Garden Oaks resident and nearest neighbor to the proposed park;

Nell Kerr, Garden Oaks resident, former Garden Oaks Elementary parent, and school employee;

Jane Bevil, Garden Oaks resident, former Garden Oaks Elementary parent, and school employee;

Danese McWhorter, Garden Oaks resident, Garden Oaks Elementary parent, and Garden Oaks Elementary PTA President;

Kay Paul, Garden Oaks resident, and SPARK veteran from Oak Forest Elementary;

Ann McGinty, Garden Oaks resident and Graham Park Adopt-a-Park liaison;

Teresa Tejera, Garden Oaks Elementary physical education instructor;

Martha Garza, SPARK liaison



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John Williams, SPARK liaison employed by Southwestern Bell.

We would appreciate you taking the time to complete the enclosed questionnaire (found on page 3) so that we may proceed with our plans secure in the fact that we are planning what YOU WANT!

Susan McMillian

P.S. On our "wish list" for the park is a licensed landscape or playground architect who would be willing to design this park without fee. We could add several thousands of dollars to the "fun stuff" if someone donated these services. Call me if you or someone you know is interested.

Critter Corner

by David Horsley

Barbara Barnett called this week to report that she has raccoons under her house on W. 42 Street. Could these coons be relatives of the ones we reported back in the spring, thumping and crashing under Joan Harmon's house on Lamonte?

Hummingbirds have returned to our neighborhood, right on schedule (second week of August). What would you bet that the Mississippi Kites will be right behind them, making those lazy circles in the sky?

Requiem for an oak tree: lightning struck and killed our favorite oak tree in the world, the one that stood in our front yard. The autopsy revealed 72 growth rings, making it no youngster. It housed our owl box and our birdfeeder, and there is now a mighty empty hole in the yard where that beauty once stood. Let's see -- that tree would have been an acorn just about the time my grandpa and grandma were talking about expanding their family to the tune of my dad. I have saved the trunk -- thirteen straight feet of pure red oak -- and plan to do something interesting with it someday.

Funny thing about lightning. It killed the oak tree plus a big pine tree next to it, then decided to come

GARDEN OAKS SPARK PARK QUESTIONNAIRE

The Garden Oaks Elementary School Campus has recently been approved as a site for a SPARK park. This program founded by Councilmember Eleanor Tinsley provides for a combination of private donations, H.I.S.D. matching funds and community donations to build a community park on school campuses. NO CITY FUNDS ARE USED FOR THESE PARKS. These parks are designed for the use of both the school children during school hours and for the surrounding community at other times. You may have noticed the one recently completed on the Oak Forest Elementary School campus.

Community support and input is most important in the creation of these parks. Please complete the following questionnaire and return to:

Susan McMillian
President, Garden Oaks Civic Club
718 West 42nd
Houston, TX 77018

No later than September 15th!

Name _____ (optional)

Address _____ Phone _____

In the planning of the Garden Oaks SPARK Park I would/would not like the following items included:

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Improved landscaping | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Traditional children's play equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Children's climbing equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Picnic/play tables | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Park benches | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Volleyball net standards | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Permanent trash receptacles | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Walking/jogging path | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| Children's adventure play equipment | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |

If I could make a special wish come true for our park, I would wish that it would include:

We really want to hear your ideas and concerns about this park before we enter the planning stages. Please return this form to let us know what you would like to see in our newest park!



(Back row from left to right) Steve Tholen, Garden Oaks resident; Councilman Larry McKaskle; Stanley Jones, recipient of Good Neighbor Award, and Michael Sadat of Cavatore's Italian Restaurant. (Middle row) Suzanne Debien; Roseanne Oelfke of NW Memorial Hospital; and Susan McMillian, Garden Oaks Civic Club President. (Front row) Steve, Valerie and Angie Jones, family of Stanley Jones.

JONES WINS GOOD NEIGHBOR AWARD

Stanley Jones of Section 1 is the winner of the second quarter Garden Oaks Good Neighbor Award. He will receive a handmade certificate and a dinner for four at Cavatore's.

Steve and Debra Tholen nominated Stanley who fearlessly stopped a burglary in progress at their home. Stanley observed a person removing property through a broken window at his neighbors' house and instructed another neighbor to call "911." Most importantly, he noted the description and license number of the vehicle. After talking to the police, Stanley boarded up the window. The Tholen's were away from their home only four hours when all this happened and were very thankful for a neighbor like Stanley Jones.

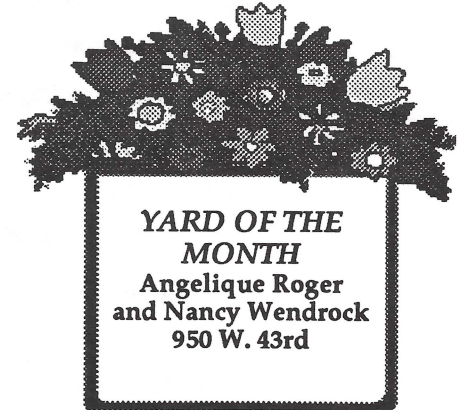
The judges were Dr. Jerry Lemon, Pastor of Garden Oaks Baptist Church; Councilman Larry McKaskle; and Roseanne Oelfke, Marketing Director of Northwest Memorial Hospital. Three letters of nomination were considered.

Nominations for the third quarter Good Neighbor Award will be accepted until August 31. The winner will be announced in October. The Good Neighbor Award recognizes residents whose citizenship traits and caring manner in dealing with others make them a great neighbor. For more information, contact Suzanne Debien, REALTORS at 697-5220. Letters of nomination may be submitted to Suzanne Debien, REALTORS at 1235 North Loop West #1120, Houston, Texas 77008.

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 on up the water main and into the house, where it proceeded to destroy the TV and VCR. Burned a big hole in an electrical outlet where it apparently entered the house. The house could have burned a long time before we would have noticed, since we were in Kansas at the time.

With the help of neighborhood kids, I took advantage of the dead tree and reworked the beds in front. While digging up the area around the killed oak, we found: one snake, countless toads large and small, lots of lizards large and small, eight roaches, grubs, tons of humongous earthworms, centipedes, plus a lot of bugs we couldn't identify. All that in an area maybe ten by ten feet.

The Indians called this month "Moon When Thorns Fall From Sky," an apparent reference to the squirrels' habit of gnawing the spines off green pinecones and showering the ground below with thousands of needle-sharp stickers. Do you believe that? Me either.



First day of school for HISD is September 5.



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Recycling Update

Garden Oaks' Recycling Project has chalked up another big winner: our efforts were featured in a *Houston Chronicle* article on July 20. Our recycling work was held up as an example of what "grassroots recycling" is all about. The newshounds down at the *Chronicle* can do stories about us anytime! Special thanks to *Chronicle* editor **Kathy Huber**, a Garden Oaks resident, and all the other staffers who helped spotlight our work.

The August 12 pickup was the best turnout so far:

Paper	13,320 lbs	\$164.32
Glass	2,365 lbs	\$ 70.95
Metals		\$165.31
Aluminium	299 lbs	
Other	71 lbs	
Batteries	9	
TOTAL		\$400.58

We doubled last month's collection, and neighborhood participation increased to 14 percent. Thanks to all our neighbors and volunteers, we are learning how recycling works. Thank you to the Boy Scouts from Troop 40 who donated their Saturday morning to help with the recycling pick-up. We couldn't have done it without them. Keep up the good work!

The next recycling pick-up day is **September 9**. Please set your recyclables out on the curb by 8am. In case of rain, the pick-up day will be postponed until the next Saturday of the month.

If you can't be home on the day of the next pick-up **September 9**, or have a problem carrying your recyclables out to the curb, call **Sammie Broadrick** at **686-1684** and he will come by your home for an early pick-up the week before the regular pick-up day. If you have any recycling needs or questions, Sammie will be glad to help.

Special recycling barrels will be painted and distributed at the Heights Festival October 1 to collect glass and aluminum drink containers. Call **Pam Parks** at **688-5223** if you would like to help.

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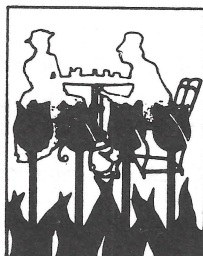
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Finally, a special thanks to Garden Oaks resident **Don Muselwhite** for his generous and consistent help with recycling. Don owns a metals processing business, and his advice (and trucks!) have proven invaluable to us "fledgling" recyclers. Thanks Don!

Mothers March To Begin September 29

The Near Northwest Houston area March of Dimes Mothers March for Healthy Babies, a door-to-door fund-raising campaign, is scheduled for September 29 through October 6. Garden Oaks resident **Suzanne Debien** of Suzanne Debien, REALTORS has been named chair of this area. For the third year, Houston area realtors will spearhead the campaign, which raises funds to help the March of Dimes fight against birth defects and infant mortality. For more information about the Mothers March campaign or to volunteer, call Suzanne Debien at **697-5220** or call the March of Dimes at **623-2020**.

Good Neighbors

Thank you to **Candy and Kermit Foster** of Section 1 for mowing the pocket park on 30th and Lawrence Streets.

Thank you to **Cindy Weed** of Section 1 for watering the pocket park on 30th and Lawrence Streets.

Bravo to **Bill Lehnert** of Section 1 who bravely faced a swarm of bees from a large oak tree while weedeating Graham Park. Despite the stings, he continued and made Graham Park neat and trim for everyone's enjoyment. Also thanks to the gentleman who mowed Graham Park. Although we did not get your name, we certainly appreciated your good deed.

Thanks to Boy Scouts from Troop 40 who helped out on recycling pick-up day.

Sunday Volleyball

We moved to the north side of Garden Oaks Elementary School! (41st & Sue Barnett). The time is the same. (4:00 p.m.) The turnout is great. Occasionally we even barbecue!

Volunteers Wanted

Advertising

Volunteers are needed to help with soliciting advertising support for the *Gazette*. These advertisers are needed to help defray the costs of printing and delivering the *Gazette* each month. Please contact **Arthur Smith** at 861-0321 if you can volunteer your help or if you know of any businesses which may want to advertise with us.

Esplanade

Volunteers are needed to mow, edge and weed the esplanade on the corner of 43rd Street and Apollo for the month of September. Please contact **Kathy Marek** at 688-6811.

Heights Festival

Volunteers are needed to work shifts at the booth on Sunday October 1 from 12:30 to 6:30. Please contact **Terry Weinberger** at 692-7248.

Donations of canned soft drinks to sell at the booth are needed as well as donations of ice and large ice chests. Please contact **Margaret Hall** at 691-1576.

Recycling

Volunteers and pick-up trucks are needed to help pick-up recyclables from the curbside every second Saturday beginning at 8am. Please call **Pam Parks** at 868-5223 if you can help out at the next pick-up on September 9.

Congratulations

Congratulations are in order for **Suzanne Debien** who was recently elected a Director of the Houston Board of Realtors.

New Neighbors

Welcome all new neighbors at:

316 W 30th (Section 1)
802 W 41st (Section 3)
1051 Lamonte (Section 5)

September Calendar of Events						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
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3 Volleyball 4:00 pm	4 Labor Day	5 Civic Club Meeting First Day of School	6 Gazette Deadline	7	8	9 Recycle Pick-Up 8:00 am
10 Volleyball 4:00 pm	11	12	13	14 Garden Club Meeting	15	16 Adopt A Park 9:00 am
17 Volleyball 4:00 pm	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Volleyball 4:00 pm	25	26	27	28	29 Mothers March	30

Next Month: October 1 - Heights Festival

Cut calendar out and place on your refrigerator in order not to miss anything!



September Birthdays

Kathryn Vilutis	Sept. 15	3 yrs
Carol Broadrick	Sept. 16	?? yrs
Alex Ralston	Sept. 19	3 yrs
Allison Bell	Sept. 20	5 yrs
Ricelle Luck	Sept. 23	6 yrs
Trey Englert	Sept. 24	5 yrs
Daniel Blair	Sept. 27	4 yrs
Carly Epstein	Sept. 28	7 yrs
Celine-Marle Webb	Sept. 29	2 yrs
Kathryn Newlin	Sept. 29	4 yrs
Rick Englert	Sept. 30	51 yrs?

Corrections

The recycling pick-up day is the second Saturday of every month, not the first Saturday as was stated in last month's *Gazette*.

Pete and June Stamps names were misspelled in last month's *Gazette*. We regret the error.

Garden Club Resumes Meetings

The Garden Club will resume monthly meetings beginning September 14 at Kay Paul's home at 403 W. 31st Street at 7:00 pm. The Garden Club had discontinued meeting during the summer vacation break. Officers for the 1989-90 term will be elected at the October meeting.



Suzanne Debien
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