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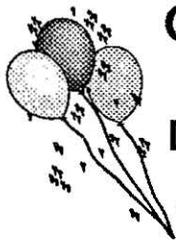
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# Garden Oaks Gazette

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## Celebrate Sunday, October 7 At Heights Festival DON'T FORGET...

To come to the Heights Festival October 7th, between 12:30 and 6:30 p.m. Garden Oaks, Civic Club is sponsoring an ice cream booth



with cold drinks. The booth is located on the west side of the 1700 block of Heights Blvd.

Donations of canned drinks or \$5.00 are still being accepted. Volunteers to work two-hour shift in the booth are still needed as well as ice chests. Please call **Jaime Pierce** at 688-3237 or **Jennifer Day** at 699-8417 if you care to donate drinks, cash, ice chests or your time.

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## Goodsons Named Garden Oaks Good Neighbors

**J. Lee** and **Margaret Goodson** of Section 1 have been chosen as the 1990 third quarter Garden Oaks Good Neighbors. The Goodsons were nominated by **Jan Koenig** and **Lynn Langston** for a variety of reasons. The Goodsons perform many neighborly functions like emergency babysitting, delivery service, grandparenting, security patrol, and history preservation. They will receive a handmade certificate and a dinner for four at Cavatore's.

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

The Good Neighbor Award recognizes residents whose citizenship traits and caring manner in dealing with others make them a great neigh-

bor. Don't be shy, give credit where it is due, nominate a good neighbor. Letters of nomination may be submitted to Suzanne Debien, REALTORS at 1235 North Loop West #1120, Houston, Texas 77008, 697-5220.

Nominations for the fourth quarter Good Neighbor Award will be accepted until **November 16**. The winner(s) will be announced in January.

## Civic Club October 2

The next Garden Oaks Civic Club meeting will be held Tuesday, October 2, 7:00 pm at the Garden Oaks Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. The proposed bylaws (printed beginning on page 3) will be read and discussed at this meeting. Voting on the bylaws will be at the November meeting.

Jeff Ewalt, an attorney specializing in deed restriction enforcement, will speak at the October Civic Club meeting about deed restrictions in general.

## St. Matthew's Mothers' Day Out Registration

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church is now taking registration for their fall term Mothers' Day Out program. Mothers' Day Out has been a year round program at St. Matthew's for the past 16 years. Some of the amenities offered include; a low pupil/teacher ratio, a spacious well-planned environment, dedicated teachers, CPR trained personnel, a children's library of over 2000 volumes and a Program Director with a masters degree in Early Childhood Education.

Classes are from 9 am - 2 pm on Thursdays and Fridays, beginning September 6. Registration forms are available from the church office. please register soon as class sizes are limited. Gymnastics classes are available for 3 and 4 year olds by Ashley Glass of Gymnastics Plus. A preschool is also offered for 3 and 4 year olds.

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**From the President...**

Another interesting phenomena of living in Garden Oaks has just become apparent to me. Garden Oaks has broken the age barrier!. Just last month my nephew and his wife (with small son Ryan) moved into Section I of our neighborhood. In the past I have always tended to compartmentalize them in ANOTHER GENERATION. Now, however as they meet our mutual neighbors and friends, I realize that the generations are becoming less and less distinct.

It has caused me to stop and think about the wide variety of ages represented in Garden Oaks and how well that works here. We continue to learn from each other. (It works in both directions, you know... my children have educated me well!) We work together, meet together, celebrate together, and share a common bond in our community. No one ever stops to count the number of generations represented on a committee or in a group. Some of the friends I have made in Garden Oaks could statistically be my parents or my children; but rather than compartmentalizing them by generations, it has enabled me to see my actual parents and children as neighbors... people... friends.

In Garden Oaks we don't have a generation gap. We have a generational bridge which stretches out in both direction as far as the mind's eye can see. It is a community in which Seniors reach out a hand to their newborn neighbors and welcome a friend.

*Susan M. Millian*

**COP Crimewatch  
July Crime Statistics**

Patrol Area 1 = Section 1		
Burglary		4
Total		4
Patrol Area 2 = Sections 2 & 3		
Auto Theft		2
Burglary		3
Total		5
Patrol Area 3 = Sections 4 & 5		
Auto Theft		3
Burglary		1
Total		4

**Garden Oaks  
Runners  
Club**



With the advent of fall comes cooler temperatures, I hope! And along with the cooler temperatures comes the start of the racing season in our area. I know, I know. For some of the runners in our community the word "race" is not in their vocabulary. They are satisfied with whatever distance they run regardless of the time it takes. Just a little exercise in a pleasant environment is all they want. The same can be said about the many walkers in Garden Oaks.

And for some of our veteran runners it is time to push for a new P.R., enter that much talked about race, or maybe attempt a marathon! A Marathon? No, nobody could run that far. Whatever your reasons for running, the Garden Oaks Running Club is here to help. It is not an organized club and qualifications are simple. A pair of running shoes, walking shoes if you're a walker, a telephone and a mailing address (difficult, huh?), plus a willingness to share the road and any experience or lack of with other runners/walkers.

When you call, I will ask for information such as:

1. How far do you run/walk? How frequent?
2. What is your pace? How fast or slow are you? (It's necessary to match you up to comparable runners/walkers.)
3. How long have you been running/walking?
4. When do you prefer to run/walk? Start with most desired times.
5. Do you have any goals, i.e., a new P.R., completing a 5K or a 10K race, etc?
6. Do you feel Homer Simpson is a good father?

May all your miles be "perfect ones."

**Tim Pagel, 686-4424**

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# Proposed Bylaws of Garden Oaks Civic Club, Inc.

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## Article I

### Mission Statement

1.00 The purpose of the Garden Oaks Civic Club shall be to maintain and promote the residential character of the Garden Oaks Subdivisions, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 and promote the civic and social welfare of the residents of Garden Oaks. Any matters relating to deed restrictions shall be referred to and enforced by the Board of Trustees.

## OFFICES

### Principal Office

1.01 The principal office of the corporation in the State of Texas shall be located in the City of Houston, County of Harris. The corporation may have such other offices, within the State of Texas, as the Board of Directors may determine or as the affairs of the corporation may require from time to time.

### Registered Office and Registered Agent

1.02 The corporation shall have and continuously maintain in the State of Texas a registered office, and a registered agent whose office is identical with such registered office, as required by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act. The registered office may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office of the corporation in the State of Texas, and the address of the registered office may be changed from time to time by the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE II

## MEMBERS

### Classes of Members

2.01 The corporation shall have two classes of members - residential and business. The designation of such class and the qualifications and rights of the members of such class shall be as follows:

## Membership

### Individual or Family Residential Membership

2.02 Each individual adult or family residing in the Garden Oaks Subdivisions, Sections 1,2,3,4, and 5 is entitled to membership in the Corporation. Membership is accomplished by each adult individual or family paying an annual membership fee to be set by the Board of Directors, whereupon each adult individual or family member shall become a member.

### Corporate Membership

2.03 Corporate memberships are available to businesses that have an interest in the welfare of the Garden Oaks subdivision. Membership is accomplished by the business paying an annual membership fee to be set by the Board of Directors.

### Voting Rights

2.04 Each residential member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.

### Termination of Membership

2.05 The Board of Directors, by affirmative vote of two-thirds of all of the members of the Board, may suspend or expel a member for cause after an appropriate hearing and may, by a majority vote of those present at any regularly constituted meeting, terminate the membership of any member who becomes ineligible for membership, or suspend or expel any member who shall be in default in the payment of dues for the period fixed in Article XI of these Bylaws.

### Resignation

2.06 Any member may resign by filing a written resignation with the Secretary, but such resignation shall not relieve the member so resigning of the obligation to pay any dues, assessments, or other charges theretofore accrued and unpaid. Dues paid prior to any resignation are not refundable, in whole or in part.

### Reinstatement

2.07 Upon written request signed by a former member and filed with the Secretary, the Board of Directors may, by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the Board, reinstate such former member to membership on such terms as the Board of Directors may

deem appropriate.

### Transfer of Membership

2.08 Membership in this corporation is not transferable or assignable.

## ARTICLE III

## MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

### Regular Meetings

3.01 Regular meetings shall be held monthly on the first Tuesday of each calendar month at 7:00 o'clock P.M. for the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting. If the day fixed for the regular meeting shall be on a legal holiday, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day.

### Annual Meeting

3.02 An annual meeting of the members shall be held on the first Tuesday of November in each year, beginning with the year 1983, at the hour of 7:00 o'clock, p.m., for the purpose of electing Officers/Directors and for the transaction of other business as may come before the meeting. If the day fixed for the annual meeting shall be on a legal holiday in the State of Texas, such meeting shall be held on the next succeeding business day. If the election of Directors shall not be held on the day designated herein for any annual meeting, or at any adjournment thereof, the Board of Directors shall cause the election to be held at a special meeting of the members as soon thereafter as possible or at the next regular meeting of members.

### Special Meetings

3.03 Special meetings of the members may be called by the President, the Board of Directors, or not less than one-tenth of the members having voting rights.

### Place of Meeting

3.04 The Board of Directors may designate any place, within the State of Texas, as the place of meeting for any annual meeting, or for any special meeting called by the Board of Directors. However, if all of the members shall meet at any time and place, either within or without the State, and consent to the holding of a meeting, such meeting shall be valid without call or notice, and at such meeting, any corporate action may be taken.

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## Notice of Meetings

3.05 No notice of the regular or annual meetings shall be required. Written or printed notice stating the place, day and hour of any special meeting of members shall be delivered, either personally or by mail, to each member entitled to vote at such meeting, not less than ten (10) nor more than fifty (50) days before the date of such meeting, by or at the direction of the President, or the Secretary, or the officers or persons calling the meeting. In case of a special meeting, or when required by statute or these bylaws, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called shall be stated in the notice. If mailed, the notice of a meeting shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the member at his address as it appears on the records of the corporation with postage thereon prepaid.

## Informal Action by Members

3.06 Any action required by law to be taken at a meeting of the members or any action which may be taken at a meeting of the members may be taken without a meeting, if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the members entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof.

## Quorum

3.07 All members present at any meeting shall constitute a quorum. A majority of the members present at any meeting, annual, regular, or special, may transact such business as may come before the meeting, or may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

## Proxies

3.08 At any meeting of members, a member entitled to vote may vote by proxy executed in writing by the member or by his duly authorized attorney-in-fact. No proxy shall be valid after eleven (11) months from the date of its execution, unless otherwise provided in the proxy.

## Voting by Mail

3.09 Where Directors or officers are to be elected by members, such election may be conducted by mail in such manner as the Board of Directors shall determine.

## ARTICLE IV

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### General Powers

4.01 The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. Directors shall be residents of Garden Oaks and members of the corporation.

#### Number, Tenure, and Qualifications

4.02 The number of Directors shall be 5. Each Director shall hold office until the next annual meeting or members and until his successor shall have been elected and qualified. Those persons elected to the Board of Directors at the annual meeting of members held in November shall take office effective the next succeeding January 1st.

#### Regular Meetings

4.03 Regular meetings at least on a quar-

terly basis of the Board of Directors shall be held without other notice than this bylaw. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution the time and place, within the City of Houston, Texas, for the holding of additional regular meetings of the Board without other notice than such resolution. Any chairperson of a committee may provide a report on their committee's activities during the meeting.

#### Special Meetings

4.04 Special meetings of the Board Directors may be called by or at the request of the president or any two Directors or a committee head. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board may fix any place, within the City of Houston, Texas, as the place for holding any special meetings of the Board called by them.

#### Notice

4.05 Notice of any special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be given at least two days previously thereto by written notice delivered personally or sent by mail or telegram to each Director at his address as shown by the records of the corporation. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail so addressed with postage thereon prepaid. If notice be given by telegram, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when the telegram is delivered to the telegraph company. Any Director may waive notice of any meeting. The attendance of a Director at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the Board need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting, unless specifically required by law or by these bylaws.

#### Quorum

4.06 A majority of the number of directors fixed by these bylaws or stated in the articles of incorporation shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting; but if less than a majority of the Directors are present at said meeting, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

#### Manner of Acting

4.07 The act of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors, unless the act of a greater number is required by law or by these bylaws.

#### Vacancies

4.08 Any vacancy occurring in the Board of Directors and any directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the number of Directors, shall be filled by the members. A Director elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office.

#### Compensation

4.09 Directors as such shall not receive any stated salaries or compensation for their services.

## Informal Action by Directors

4.10 Any action required by law to be taken at a meeting of Directors, or any action which may be taken at a meeting of Directors, may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing setting forth the action so taken shall be signed by all of the Directors.

## ARTICLE V

### OFFICERS

5.01 The officers of the corporation shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents (the number thereof to be determined by the Board of Directors), a Secretary, a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of this Article. The members may elect or appoint such other officers, including one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers, as it shall deem desirable, such officers to have the authority and perform the duties prescribed, from time to time, by the Board of Directors. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of President and Secretary. The second Vice-President shall be the current editor of the *Garden Oaks Gazette*.

#### Election and Term of Office

5.02 The officers of the corporation shall be elected annually by the members at the annual meeting of the members in November. They shall take office effective the next succeeding January 1st. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. New offices may be created by the Board of Directors and filled at any meeting of members. Each officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified. The Board of Directors shall determine the order of election.

#### Removal

5.03 Any officer elected or appointed by the members may be removed by the members whenever in their judgment the best interests of the corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the officer so removed.

#### Vacancies

5.04 A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the members for the unexpired portion of the term.

#### President

5.05 The President shall be the principal executive officer of the corporation and shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the corporation. He shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors. He may sign, with the Secretary or any other proper officer of the corporation authorized by the Board of Directors, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Board of Directors or members have authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these bylaws or by statute to some other officer or agent of the corporation; and in general he shall perform all

duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or members from time to time.

#### **Vice President**

5.06 In the absence of the President or in the event of his inability or refusal to act, the Vice President (or in the event there be more than one Vice President, the Vice Presidents in order of their election) shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. Any Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or Board of Directors.

#### **Treasurer**

5.07 If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. He shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such monies in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article 7 of these bylaws; and in general perform all the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors.

#### **Secretary**

5.08 The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meetings of the members and of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; give all notices in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the corporation, and affix the seal of the corporation to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the corporation under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws; keep a register of the post-office address of each member which shall be furnished to the Secretary by each member; and, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Board of Directors.

#### **Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries**

5.09 If required by the Board of Directors, the Assistant Treasurers shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties in such sums and with such sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. The Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries in general shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Treasurer or the Secretary or by the President or the Board of Directors.

#### **Officers Also Directors**

5.10 Each officer of the corporation shall be ex-officio a member of the board of directors. The President shall be Chairman of the Board of Directors, and the Secretary shall be Secretary to the Board at any meeting of the

Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE VI COMMITTEES**

### **Committees of Directors**

6.01 The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors in office, may designate and appoint one or more committees, each of which shall consist of two or more persons, the majority of whom are directors, which committees, to the extent provided in said resolution, shall have and exercise the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the corporation. However, no such committee shall have the authority of the Board of Directors in reference to amending, altering, or repealing the bylaws; electing, appointing, or removing any member of any such committee or any Director or officer of the corporation; amending the articles of incorporation; adopting a plan of merger or adopting a plan of consolidation with another corporation; authorizing the sale, lease, exchange, or mortgage of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the corporation; authorizing the voluntary dissolution of the corporation or revoking proceedings therefor; adopting a plan for the distribution of the assets of the corporation; or amending, altering, or repealing any resolution of the Board of Directors which by its terms provides that it shall not be amended, altered, or repealed by such committee. The designation and appointment of any such committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors, or any individual Director, of any responsibility imposed on it or him by law.

### **Other Committees**

6.02 Other committees not having and exercising the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the corporation may be designated by a resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Except as otherwise provided in such resolution, members of each such committee shall be members of the corporation, and the President of the corporation shall appoint the members thereof. Any members thereof may be removed by the person or persons authorized to appoint such member whenever in their judgment the best interests of the corporation shall be served by such removal.

### **Standing and Non-standing Committees**

6.02.01 A standing committee chairperson shall be selected by the Board of Directors. Standing committees shall be comprised of the Membership, Nominating and Beautification committees. Non-standing committee chairpersons shall be nominated by the majority of the members of that committee.

### **Term of Office**

6.03 Each member of a committee shall continue as such until the next annual meeting of the members of the corporation and until his successor is appointed, unless the committee shall be sooner terminated, or unless such member be removed from such committee, or unless such member shall cease to qualify as a member thereof.

### **Chairperson**

6.04 One member of each committee shall be appointed chairperson by the person or persons authorized to appoint the members thereof.

### **Vacancies**

6.05 Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointments made in the same manner as provided in the case of the original appointments.

### **Quorum**

6.06 All members present at any committee meeting shall constitute a quorum. Unless otherwise provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors designating a committee, the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting shall be the act of the committee.

### **Rules**

6.07 Each committee may adopt rules for its own government not inconsistent with these bylaws or with rules adopted by the Board of Directors.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS, FUNDS AND BUDGETS**

#### **Contracts**

7.01 The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents of the corporation, in addition to the officers so authorized by these bylaws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

#### **Checks and Drafts**

7.02 All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. In the absence of such determination by the Board of Directors, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer and countersigned by the President or a Vice President of the corporation.

#### **Deposits**

7.03 All funds of the corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

#### **Gifts**

7.04 The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for the general purpose or for any special purpose of the corporation. Money given by gift, devise or descent to a Garden Oaks Civic Club Committee for a specific purpose, not in violation of any provisions of this club, shall become an additional part of the general budget allocated to that committee's budget.

#### **Budgets**

7.05 A budget shall be prepared annually by the Board of Directors to be presented during the February meeting and shall be pub-

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lished prior to the March meeting. All committees shall submit to the Board of Directors a Budget comprised of their anticipated Revenues and Expenses for the coming fiscal year.

7.06 Items budgeted but not spent within the Committee's fiscal budget shall be added on as a supplementary part of the committee's next year's fiscal budget.

7.07 Un-budgeted expenses under \$250 shall be discussed and approved by the Board of Directors. Items in excess of \$250 that are not part of any committee's budget shall be presented to the Board of Directors for discussion prior to a Civic Club meeting. The Board of Directors can only approve such expenditure without a Civic Club vote if funds within a committee's budget can be reallocated. The Board of Directors shall submit any unbudgeted and un-allocated expenditure greater than \$250 to the Civic Club for approval.

### ARTICLE VIII

#### CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP

##### Certificates of Membership

8.01 The Board of Directors may provide for the issuance of certificates evidencing membership in the corporation, which shall be in such form as may be determined by the Board. Such certificates shall be signed by the President or a Vice President and by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary and shall be sealed with the seal of the corporation. All certificates evidencing membership of any class shall be consecutively numbered. The name and address of each member and the date of issuance of the certificate shall be entered on the records of the corporation. If any certificate shall become lost, mutilated, or destroyed, a new certificate may be issued therefor on such terms and conditions as the Board of Directors may determine.

##### Issuance of Certificates

8.02 When a person seeks membership in the corporation and has paid dues that may then be required, a certificate of membership shall be issued in his name and delivered to him by the Secretary, if the Board of Directors shall have provided for the issuance of certificates of membership under the provisions of Paragraph 8.01 of this Article VIII.

### ARTICLE IX

#### BOOKS AND RECORDS

9.01 The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its members, Board of Directors, and committees having any of the authority of the Board of Directors, and shall keep at the registered or principal office a record giving the names and addresses of the members entitled to vote. All books and records of the corporation may be inspected by any member or his agent or attorney for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.

### ARTICLE X

#### FISCAL YEAR

10.1 The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day in December in each year.

### ARTICLE XI

#### DUES

##### Annual Dues

11.01 The annual dues for an individual shall be \$10.00 per family, \$5 per individual and \$25 per corporate member per calendar year. The Board of Directors may determine from time to time the amount of annual dues payable to the corporation by its members.

##### Payment of Dues

11.02 Dues shall be payable in advance on the first day of January in each fiscal year. Dues of a new member may be prorated from the first day of the month in which such new member is elected to membership, for the remainder of the fiscal year of the corporation.

##### Default and Termination of Membership

11.03 When any member of any class shall be in default in the payment of dues for a period of ~ months from the beginning of the fiscal year or period for which such dues become payable, his membership may thereupon be terminated by the Board of Directors in the manner provided in Article III of these bylaws.

### ARTICLE XII

#### SEAL

12.01 The Board of Directors shall provide a corporate seal, which shall be in the form of a circle and shall have inscribed thereon the name of the corporation and the words "CORPORATE SEAL OF GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB, INC."

### ARTICLE XIII

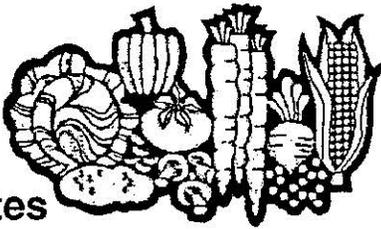
#### WAIVER OF NOTICE

13.01 Whenever any notice is required to be given under the provisions of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act or under the provisions of the articles of incorporation or the bylaws of the corporation, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice.

### ARTICLE XIV

#### AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

14.04 These bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new bylaws may be adopted by a majority of the members present at any regular, annual, or special meeting, if at least two days written notice is given of an intention to alter, amend or repeal these bylaws or to adopt new bylaws at such meeting. Such notice shall be given in person or by mail. If mailed, the notice of such meeting shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the U.S. Mail addressed to the member at his address as it appears on the records of the corporation with postage thereon prepaid.



**Notes  
From the Garden**

*by Jan Koenig*

The community garden is still in limbo between our old location and the new site. Since there isn't much to talk about on that topic, I'll take the opportunity this month to "preach" a little bit about a garden-related matter around the home.

If somebody offered you a way to save money, cut down on your "maintenance" yard work load, and do something good for the environment at the same time, most of you would probably have some interest (at least I hope you would). Well, have I got a deal for you!

Here's the Hot News!! Most of you neighbors out there don't need to bother with collecting and disposing of those massive quantities of grass clippings that accumulate when you mow your lawns. As a reformed "clipping bagger", I can attest to the extra effort involved in emptying the grass catcher over and over. And we all know that Hefty "lawn and leaf" bags cost money. To make matters even worse, those innocent bags of grass and other yard waste take up about 25% of the space in our landfills.

What do you do instead? Leave the grass on the lawn! Most mowers

have an inexpensive attachment you can purchase which blocks the chute so the grass won't blow out. Other mowers have a plate that covers the chute automatically when you take off the grass catcher bag. Since the clippings can't blow out, they get chopped up a bit more, then fall back into the grass. Unless your grass is really overgrown, you probably won't even be able to see the clippings that fell. The clippings help the ground retain moisture, and as they decompose they put nitrogen back into the soil. That means that your yard needs less fertilizer and less water.

Some folks believe that the clippings create a "thatch" problem in the yard. Baloney! The clippings break down fast enough that they don't build up at all. By the way, you should never use a dethatcher on a St. Augustine lawn - unless, of course, you have a burning desire to re-sod your entire yard.

If you do insist on gathering up the clippings, you still don't need to throw them away. Build yourself a compost pile and use the grass there. Contrary to popular opinion, compost piles are not time-consuming, smelly collections of garbage which attract bugs and other pests. A compost pile is simply a recycling system for kitchen, yard and garden waste. Next month, I'll talk a little more about building and using a cheap, effective compost pile.

Until then, think about keeping that grass off of the curb and out of the landfill. See you at the garden!

**Recycling Report Card**

September figures are:

<b>PAPER:</b>	Newsprint	23,470 lbs		\$ 58.67
<b>METALS:</b>				\$157.60
	Aluminum cans	315lbs	\$ 138.60	
	Miscellaneous	45lbs	\$ 5.25	
	Batteries	3	\$ 13.75	
<b>GLASS:</b>		4,000lbs		\$ 89.84
<b>TOTAL:</b>				<b>\$306.11</b>
<b>PARTICIPATION:</b>				<b>28%</b>

Saturday, October 13 is the next recycling pick-up day. All volunteers meet at the old Civic Club building on W. 34th Street between N. Shepherd and Brinkman. We need volunteers and trucks!

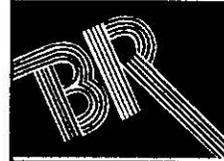
If watching your little ones is keeping you from volunteering for recycling, take note - babysitting is available free of charge. Call Jennifer Day at 699-8417 by Friday, October 12th to reserve babysitting for your children so you can volunteer for the scheduled October 13th Recycling Pick-up.

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## Heard Under The Oak Tree



Thank you to **Suzanne Pagel** and **Ken Foyt** for mowing the pocket park on Sue Barnett and 42nd.

Congratulations to **Bill** and **Susan McMillian** who will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on October 15. That's the silver one, isn't it?

Welcome **Randy** and **Sharon Walker** and son **Ryan** to Section 1 of Garden Oaks. Randy is Susan McMillian's nephew, you know, the one mentioned in her column this month.

Reminder: **Sunday, September 30** at 1:45 p.m. is the time for Garden Oaks to go see the Astros.

## October Birthdays

- 2: **Scott Pierce**, 31 yrs.
- 2: **Jim Hall**, ?
- 3: **Joseph Weinberger**, 4 yrs.
- 8: **Jackson Blair**, 7 yrs.
- 12: **Megan Burns**, 7 yrs.
- 14: **David Epstein**, ?
- 18: **Christopher Roberts**, 2 yrs.
- 22: **Teresa Coleman**, ?

Belated birthday greetings to **Willard Mills** whose 76th birthday was September 5 and to **Rusty Day** who turned 34 on September 15.

## Decorating Tips . . . Sensational Colors

by **Jane Warner**

Color is more than just the use of pinks, browns, yellows and blues. Color creates a mood and enhances the comfort level of your home. It is the major element of design therefore, it can heighten the excitement in a room or it can soothe ones nerves.

Colors can be very trendy and can come and go in a short period of time. The Color Marketing Group (CMG) is the voice of color trend prediction. The CMG predicts that the color trend for the 1990's will be toward stronger, deeper, richer more opulent colors. What is on the wane are the dusty, muted, washed-out colors.

Whatever your color preferences may be, choose colors that suit you, your lifestyle and your personality.

Mini Tip: The biggest mistake made is choosing too conservative colors or colors that will not blend throughout the home for a pulled together look.

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## October Calendar of Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
30 Astros Day 1:45pm	1	2 Civic Club 7:00 pm	3	4	5	6
7 HEIGHTS FESTIVAL	8	9 Gazette deadline	10	11 Garden Club 7:00 pm	12	13 Recycle Pick-Up 8 am
14 Volleyball 4 pm	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Volleyball 4 pm	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Volleyball 4 pm	29	30	31 Halloween			

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