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## Happy New Year

### Home Tour 1992

The Home Tour Committee organizes the annual home tour that takes place in the spring. This event helps to promote Garden Oaks as a desirable neighborhood. The Home Tour Committee is soliciting donations and items for the raffle. If you know of any businesses that may donate to the 1992 Home Tour, or if you are interested in being on the Home Tour Committee, please call **Michelle Martini** at 699-4244 or **Jennifer Day** at 699-8417.

### St. Matthew's Holiday Fun Camp

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church is offering a Holiday Fun Camp on **January 2, 3, and 17** for children in grades K through 5. The camp will be from **7 am to 6 pm** and the cost is \$20 for one child and \$12 for the second child.

Activities are planned for the gymnasium, playground, and classroom. Children must bring their own lunch and drink. To make reservations or for more information call the church office at 697-0671.

### January 7 Presents Citizens Against Crime

The first Civic Club meeting of 1992 will feature a presentation from a group called Citizens Against Crime. The meeting will be held **Tuesday, January 7 at 7:15 pm** at the Garden Oaks Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 3206 North Shepherd. Make your New Year's resolution to attend Civic Club meetings and meet your neighbors. Refreshments will be served at 7:00 pm. Baby-sitting is available during the business portion of the meeting for \$1.00 per child. Come to the meeting and see how you can protect yourself from crime.

### Gazette Editor To Be Elected January 7

We finally have a volunteer to be The Garden Oaks *Gazette* editor! **Scott MacClymonds** has volunteered to undertake task. He will be nominated from the floor at the next meeting for the 2nd Vice-President's position. Since this office is still open, additional nominations will be accepted from the floor at that time.

The *Gazette* is published monthly for the residents of Garden Oaks. Volunteers will be needed to help gather news items and to solicit advertising for the *Gazette*.

### Recycling Selects New Leaders

The recycling committee has named new officers for 1992. The officers are **Tim Pagel**, Chairman; **Greg Tharp**, Vice-Chairman; **Wynn Gajkowski**, Vice-Chairman; **Richard Lipham**, Secretary; and **Elizabeth Rigby**, Treasurer. Recycling is the second Saturday of the month from 8 to 10:30 am. Volunteers and pick-up trucks are always needed and welcomed. For more information call **Tim Pagel** at 686-4424.

### WANTED: Refreshments Chairperson

No experience necessary. Responsible for organizing the refreshments for Civic Club activities. Expenses are reimbursed by the Civic Club and donations from area businesses are solicited. For more information call **Denise Epstein** at 869-0128 or **Anita Scherer** at 956-7809.

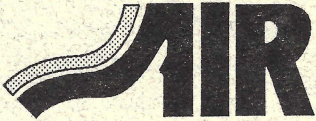
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CHURCH TRAINING - 5:00 P.M.  
EVENING WORSHIP - 6:00 P.M.  
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## President's Message

This is the time of the year for goal setting. I would like to share with you my goals for the Garden Oaks Civic Club for 1992:

**Increase involvement and support for the area public schools.** This has been initiated with the creation of GOPHER. There are many things we as a community can do to help our neighborhood schools, and I hope to encourage greater participation in this area.

**Increase civic club membership.** An organization is only as good as its members. We hope to boost neighborhood membership through our annual membership drive headed by **Blanche Leonard**, 1st Vice-President and new Membership Chairperson. Look elsewhere in this issue for the membership form to send in with your \$10 dues (\$5 if you are a senior citizen).

**Interact with neighboring civic organizations and neighborhoods.** With zoning on the horizon, it is important to be aware of our surroundings and what is happening to our neighboring subdivisions. I hope to encourage more activities and events with our neighboring civic clubs, so that we can understand the issues that are important to them that may affect us. Also by learning more about what they do and are involved in, we all may be able to help each other with common concerns like crime.

**Continue environmental awareness programs.** Living in the middle of a big city like Houston it is important to know how our daily life affects our planet. The success of the recycling program indicates that Garden Oaks residents are environmental-minded and would be receptive to other environmental awareness programs.

Together we can work to accomplish these goals. What would you like to see happen in Garden Oaks? Let us know. Come to the meetings, get involved. We welcome you to join us and invest in the future of our neighborhood.

Anita Scherer

## GOPHER Mission Statement

The mission of Garden Oaks People Helping in Education Reform (GOPHER) is to enhance the educational environment of the Waltrip feeder area so that all students have a solid foundation which allows them to successfully handle the challenges of our changing world. The objectives of this group are:

To tell the truth about the state of children and education today.

To foster the interdependency of community, family and school.

To provide a safe environment, both physically and emotionally, for learning.

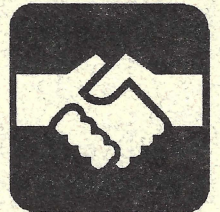
To support the establishment and maintenance of high expectations for the entire school community, including students, teachers, parents, administrators, staff, and area residents and businesses.

To create and provide challenging and dynamic school environments.

To promote high self-esteem and encourage students to respect themselves and others, honoring their basic commonalities and differences.

To promote the value of learning as a lifelong process.

If you are interested in becoming a part of this group, call **Barry Morris** at **863-8553**.



**Thanks,  
Neighbor!**

Thank you to **Patrick King & Heather Barr** (Area 1 hosts), **Laverne & V.D. Kelley** (Area 2 hosts), and **Trish Webb** (Area 3 hostess) for the second round of Area Open Houses. New G.O. C.O.P. members are: **Phillip T. Bruns** and **James Moore**, Area 1; **Keith and Celia Zimmerman**, Area 2; and **Johnnie Gonzales**, and **William Bradshaw**.

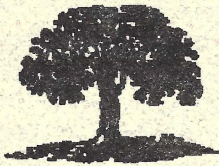
### Gazette Ad Rates

\$40 per month - \$200 for 6 months

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Deadline for February Gazette  
is January 10th

## Heard Under the Oak Tree



The Christmas decorations on the 1000 block of Gardenia were especially beautiful last month. There is no shortage of the holiday spirit on that block!

### Dear Santa,

Thank you for stopping in Garden Oaks again this year during your busy schedule. Please tell all your helpers and Mrs. Claus thanks too.

Love,  
Garden Oaks Kids

### Do You Walk or Jog Routinely?

If so, do it for C.O.P.! C.O.P. is our Citizen's On Patrol group, and we are in need of patrollers. We are not asking for much, only your participation! Your regular routine counts as hours patrolled toward our monthly requirements with H.P.D. Please call **Trish Webb** at **683-8461** to sign up for C.O.P.

### G.O. C.O.P. Crimewatch November Statistics

Patrol Area 1	
Section 1	
Hours Patrolled	33.5
Patrol Area 2	
Sections 2,3 and GO Plaza	
Hours Patrolled	27
Patrol Area 3	
Sections 5	
Hours Patrolled	115
<b>Total Hours Patrolled</b>	<b>175.5</b>

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## Interior Lifestyles Decorating

### Chef's Delight

by Jane Warner

Have you noticed when you entertain in your home that eventually the party ends up in the kitchen? This inviting room is always an important social spot for both family and friends. That's why more and more home designs focus on the kitchen flowing into other rooms such as family rooms, sunrooms and decks.

While opening the kitchen into other rooms brings family and friends closer together, it also creates a decorator's challenge ... how to coordinate these rooms while making sure each retains its individuality. One way to achieve this is to select one color to pull from room to room. Another idea is to choose one wallcovering in the kitchen and select a coordinating border for the adjoining family room. Most wallcoverings have matching fabrics which can be used in both rooms. And an informal window treatment, such as a tapered valance, is great in the kitchen, while balloon shades in the same fabric can dress-up a sunroom or family room.

There are also many easy inexpensive ways to give your kitchen a quickface-lift. Try adding brass knobs to the cabinets or painting the cabinets entirely. New placemats and napkins or colorful seat cushions add a lively splash to any kitchen. No matter what choices you make, enhancing the warmth and comfort of a beautiful kitchen will cascade throughout the rest of your home.

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**G.O. C.O.P. Report**

**ATTENTION NEIGHBORS!! WE HAVE A HOT LINE!**

When you are out of town for the holidays or vacation, please call **688-4008** and leave a message with your name, address and the dates you will be gone. This information will be entered in a hot line for our patrollers so your home will be watched a little closer during your absence. This hot line is also available for that incident you saw and want to notify/alert G.O. C.O.P. patrollers, or missing dogs, stolen dogs, etc., what ever you think needs to be watched, heard, and spread! If it is something dangerous or a situation for HPD, we will forward the information, if you have not done so yourself. This service is available for Garden Oaks residents throughout the year and we hope it will help make Garden Oaks a safer place for all.

**POST THIS NUMBER NEXT TO YOUR PHONE - 688-4008 - TO LEAVE A MESSAGE FOR G.O. C.O.P. PATROLLERS - TELL US WHAT YOU SEE, WHAT YOU KNOW, AND WHAT YOU THINK. WE WILL WATCH, LISTEN, AND SPREAD THE WORD FOR YOU.**

The 1st Award Program has been postponed due to Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. We are planning a Fiesta in February. This will give all the patrollers a few extra weeks to accumulate hours toward our great Incentive Program items. They are as follows:

<b>Item</b>	<b>Hours Patrolled</b>
Koozie	25 hours
<b>Sponsor:</b> Windfern Pest Control	
Magnet Board	35 hours
<b>Sponsor:</b> Houston Asset Management	
Flash Light	50 hours
<b>Sponsor:</b> AVAILABLE	
T-shirt	85 hours
<b>Sponsor:</b> Garden Oaks Properties	
Fanny Pack	100 hours
<b>Sponsor:</b> AVAILABLE	

If you are interested in sponsoring the flash lights or fanny packs, or know of a business that would like to be a sponsor, please call **Trish Webb** at **686-8461**. We need your support!

We have a cellular phone donated by Houston Cellular and HPD! Area 3 has used it already and we are scheduling patrollers throughout the holidays. HPD is studying the value of cellular phones for Citizen's on Patrol

groups. Possibly in the future we could be issued cellular phones instead of CB radios and base station equipment.

Special thanks and recognition goes to **Norris Carle** for getting 12 more sets of magnetic signs for the G.O. C.O.P. program. And a special thanks to **V.D. & Laverne Kelley** and **Bill & Jinny Chastain** for purchasing signs. If anyone is interested in owning a set for patrolling or if you would like to sponsor a set for the program, please call **Trish Webb** at **683-8461**. We need your support!

**Murphy Wins Super C.O.P. Award**

The Super C.O.P. Award is a special thanks and recognition extended to one who has gone beyond the realm of just patrolling our neighborhood. There are so many special helpers who have held the program together and all your efforts are appreciated and Garden Oaks sincerely thanks you for your participation.

**Johnny Murphy** is our first recipient of the Super C.O.P. Award. Johnny joined in July, 1991, and has been a very active "trucker" averaging 25 hours a month! He has CB equipment and a scanner in his truck and his own base station equipment at home. Johnny's wife, **Cindy**, backs him as a base station when he is out patrolling the streets of Garden Oaks. They also came as a team to help with the G.O. C.O.P. booth at the Heights Festival this past Fall.

Johnny literally extends the invitation to his neighbors to join G.O. C.O.P. He has recruited a base station and 3 patrollers so far. He carries applications and rule books with him to distribute to interested neighbors. He is also available as a base station from 5PM - 10PM every day. In addition to all this, (as if he hasn't done enough) Johnny has accepted the additional responsibility to compile the monthly figures from HPD for the Gazette and the Civic Club meetings.

Johnny is very interested and a knowledgeable Super C.O.P. patroller dedicated to his volunteer work for our neighborhood. The SUPER C.O.P. Award is pinned on Johnny Murphy and we say **THANK YOU, JOHNNY**, for all you've done. Keep your nose to the ground (ouch) and your eyes peeled (double ouch).

**Trish**

## Clip and Save Recycling Reminders:

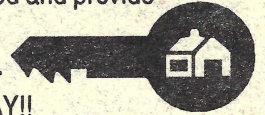
- WHEN:** Second Saturday of the month at 8 a.m.  
**WHERE:** Drop-off at old Civic Club building site on W. 34th Street between N. Shepherd and Brinkman (8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.) or Curbside (by 8 a.m.)  
**WHAT AND HOW: NO DUMPING at drop-off site on off days.**  
**ALUMINUM CANS:** Non-magnetic, RINSED. NO TIN.  
**NON-FERROUS (Not Steel) METALS:** Items such as copper, brass, and aluminum. No refrigerators, dishwashers or other appliances.  
**GLASS:** Separated into clear and colored glass; RINSED and CLEANED; NO LIDS; Labels can be left on; NO PLATE GLASS!; No plastic bags, please.  
**NEWSPAPERS:** Bundled or placed in paper grocery bags; No plastic bags please.  
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**PLEASE FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES** to make the recycling pick-up more efficient and pleasant. Cleaning glass containers and milk jugs and rinsing empty aluminum cans cut down on the odor and mess. If you don't remove the lids or separate the glass, we have to and it slows the process down. Wet papers and dirty glass or plastic will not be picked-up.  
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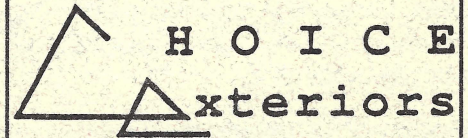


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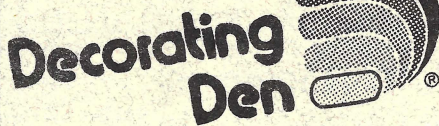
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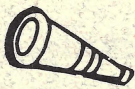
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# Garden Oaks Needs You in 1992!

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*Please fill in the form on the back and mail to:*

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### January Birthdays

- 13 Amy Ross, 6 yrs
- 16 Linda Ross, ?
- 20 Matthew Yarberr, 5 yrs
- 21 Ben Thomas, 3 yrs
- 22 Darla Englert, ?
- 23 Ben Rogers, 8 yrs
- 24 Chelsea Carter, 3 yrs
- 26 Ashley Crocker, 5 yrs
- 30 Tom Peden, ?
- 30 John Ross, ?
- 31 Holly Veselka, 11 yrs

Belated birthday greetings to Chris Cato whose birthday was November 24, and to Cheryl Cato whose birthday was December 14.

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### January Calendar of Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
			1 Happy New Year!	2	3	4
5	6	7 Civic Club Meeting 7:00 pm	8	9	10 Gazette Deadline 7:00 pm	11 Recycle Pick-up 8:00 am
12	13	14	15	16 P.I.P. Meeting 7:30 pm	17	18
19	20	21 Heavy Trash Pick-up	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

### Garden Oaks Citizens on Patrol Numbers to Know

- G.O. C.O.P. Coordinator  
**Trish Webb** 683-8461
- Area 1 Leader  
**Heather Barr and Patrick King** 869-1527
- Area 2 Leader  
**Joan Fudge** 692-8822
- Area 3 Leader  
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### GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children/Birthdates: \_\_\_\_\_  
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