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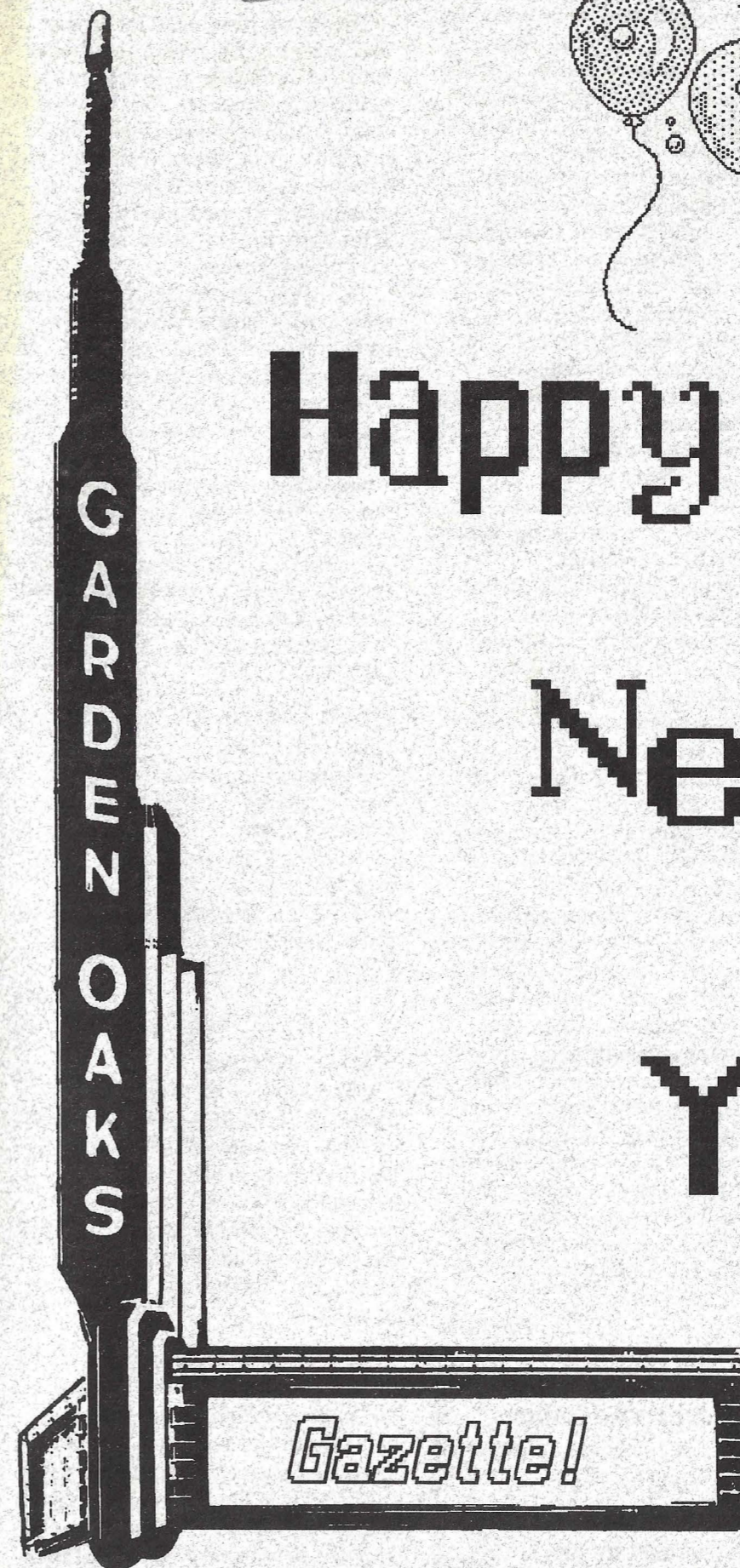
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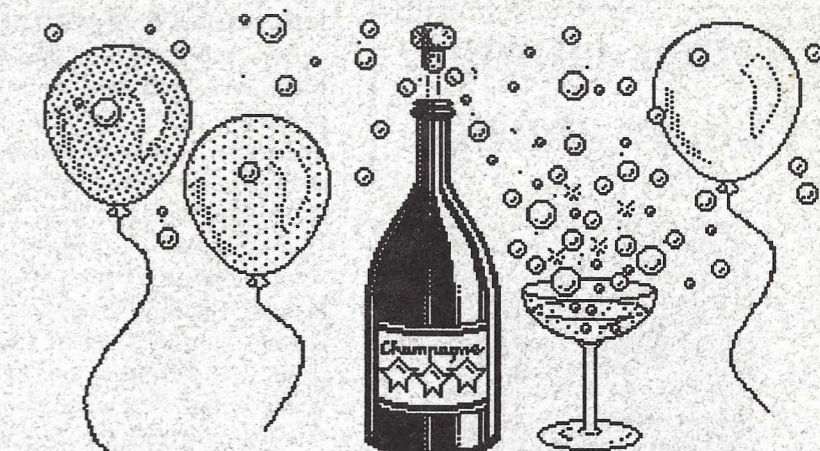
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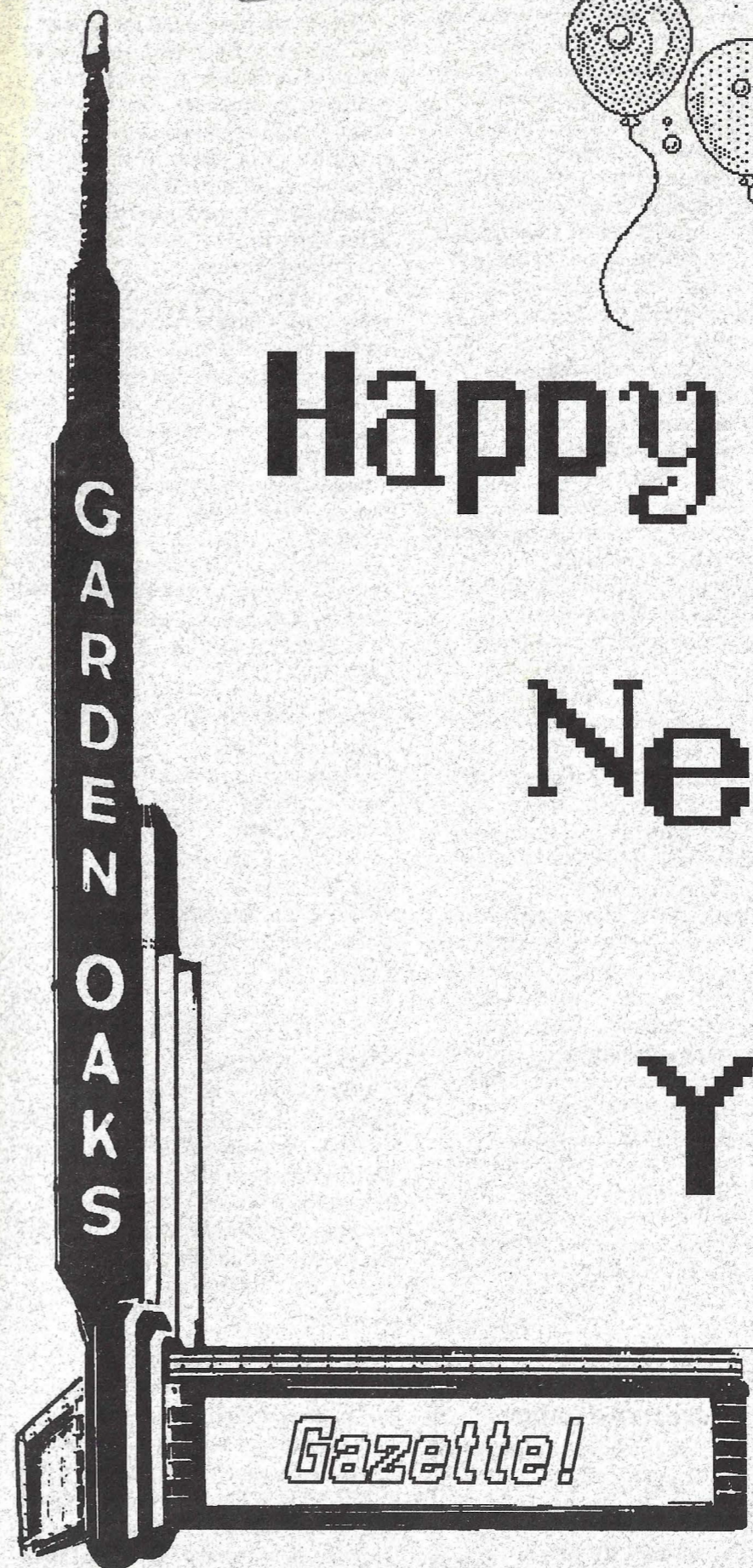
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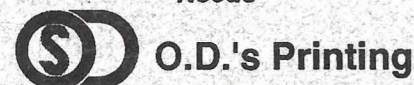
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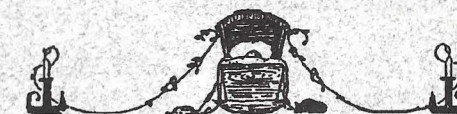
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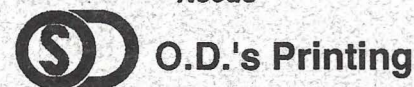
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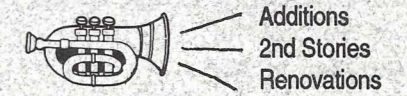
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### Ex-President's Message

The best part of this year is the many friends I have made that will continue to enrich my life in Garden Oaks. This neighborhood is lucky to have such a talented and diverse group of people who are willing to dedicate their time and efforts for the community.

I would especially like to thank the officers who helped provide support and encouragement throughout the year.

Blanche blessed us with her organizational skills by featuring a fantastic Membership Lunch. She always had great ideas about how to encourage involvement. Thank you Blanche for your warmth and support.

Jan, the banker and the gardener, kept our records, money matters and community garden straight. He also contributed to the entertainment portion of the executive committee meetings where discussions about various worldly issues took place. (And many of you don't know that he is also a great bridge player.) For sharing all of his talents, I thank him.

Don's dry sense of humor spiced up the normally dull job of taking and reading minutes. Along with Jan, he provided interesting counterpoints for discussions at the executive committee meeting's world issues forum. Thanks Don, for being a great next-door neighbor, fun recycler, and good sport!

Scott reminded us that Garden Oaks is not an island unto itself. He renewed interest in many things that affect Garden Oaks, including the theater, education, school, sidewalks, and yes, even politics. He put a lot of himself into his job and took a lot of heat; but he continued to do what he felt was important for the community. For his passion and all his efforts, I thank him.

Linda always kept me on track by taking care of the important details like Programs and Refreshments. She willingly put out the extra effort like preparing notices of our meetings to the *Gazette* and *Leader*, and like making extra trips to the Church so that everything would be ready for the meetings. For all the planning, caring, and extra efforts, thank you Linda!

I consider myself lucky to have had the opportunity to work with such a fantastic team. I have always believed that volunteerism is sacred. It is not something that you can force anyone to do, it has to come from within. Even though I singled out only a few of the volunteers that made a difference in this community, there are many, many more to be thanked. (Thank you Trish, Tom, Bill, Jinny, Johnny, Carla, Anne, John, Karen, Dian, Michele, Sandy, Rick, Lisa, Rebecca, Lisa, Susan, Jimmy, Mike, Gail, Denise, Kathy, Tim, Wynn, Greg, Elizabeth, Richard, Jaime, Roseanne, Barry, Jane Ann, etc... , you DO make a difference!) All these individuals and all the others who volunteered deserve our gratitude for giving us this year of their life.

### They Snoop to Conquer

Do you have exciting news that you want the entire neighborhood to hear? If so, the *Gazette* offers a new feature beginning in the February edition. We are instituting roving section reporters. So, if you have hot news items or juicy gossip items, you can phone them into your section reporter. The section reporters will take information such as birthdays, anniversaries, awards and achievements regarding the residents in that section. If you have an item that you would like to be in the *Gazette*, please contact the roving reporter for your section. We have been lucky enough to have volunteers for each section and their names and telephone numbers are listed below:

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SECTION 2:		
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Please feel free to contact your Section reporter with all of your titillating, exciting, earth shattering news or not so earth shattering news.

### G.O. C.O.P. Needs YOU

On Saturday morning, Nov. 21, I went downtown to the COP coordinator's workshop. This was a meeting with various other COP groups around the city. I found to my embarrassment that although we are one of the larger areas, we have the lowest participation. One small subdivision, for instance, has only 500 homes but they have 14 base stations (we have 5) and 60 patrollers (we have 10). Does Garden Oaks have egg on its face! We should have 42 base stations and 180 patrollers to equal their proportion.

So, we really need YOUR help. We need your time, your money, or your equipment. It's a known fact that the COP movement has decreased the criminal activity in neighborhoods where the citizens of that community support it and participate. We have the support ... we just don't have much participation. There are some interesting activities that we can get involved in.

First of all, be aware that this COP program is not only sponsored by the Houston Police Department, but they are behind it. Our city council representative, Helen Huey, is very, very aware of the program and she supports it one hundred percent. It's very possible that the city will authorize a new COP sign that can be installed in our neighborhood along where the "HOW" signs are displayed. This is an area where we could use your money (if you can't donate your time) because we will have to buy the signs. We believe that these signs will be a highly visible and positive indication that our community is a single unit working together to keep the criminal element at bay.

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### Ex-President's Message

The best part of this year is the many friends I have made that will continue to enrich my life in Garden Oaks. This neighborhood is lucky to have such a talented and diverse group of people who are willing to dedicate their time and efforts for the community.

I would especially like to thank the officers who helped provide support and encouragement throughout the year.

Blanche blessed us with her organizational skills by featuring a fantastic Membership Lunch. She always had great ideas about how to encourage involvement. Thank you Blanche for your warmth and support.

Jan, the banker and the gardener, kept our records, money matters and community garden straight. He also contributed to the entertainment portion of the executive committee meetings where discussions about various worldly issues took place. (And many of you don't know that he is also a great bridge player.) For sharing all of his talents, I thank him.

Don's dry sense of humor spiced up the normally dull job of taking and reading minutes. Along with Jan, he provided interesting counterpoints for discussions at the executive committee meeting's world issues forum. Thanks Don, for being a great next-door neighbor, fun recycler, and good sport!

Scott reminded us that Garden Oaks is not an island unto itself. He renewed interest in many things that affect Garden Oaks, including the theater, education, school, sidewalks, and yes, even politics. He put a lot of himself into his job and took a lot of heat; but he continued to do what he felt was important for the community. For his passion and all his efforts, I thank him.

Linda always kept me on track by taking care of the important details like Programs and Refreshments. She willingly put out the extra effort like preparing notices of our meetings to the *Gazette* and *Leader*, and like making extra trips to the Church so that everything would be ready for the meetings. For all the planning, caring, and extra efforts, thank you Linda!

I consider myself lucky to have had the opportunity to work with such a fantastic team. I have always believed that volunteerism is sacred. It is not something that you can force anyone to do, it has to come from within. Even though I singled out only a few of the volunteers that made a difference in this community, there are many, many more to be thanked. (Thank you Trish, Tom, Bill, Jinny, Johnny, Carla, Anne, John, Karen, Dian, Michele, Sandy, Rick, Lisa, Rebecca, Lisa, Susan, Jimmy, Mike, Gail, Denise, Kathy, Tim, Wynn, Greg, Elizabeth, Richard, Jaime, Roseanne, Barry, Jane Ann, etc... , you DO make a difference!) All these individuals and all the others who volunteered deserve our gratitude for giving us this year of their life.

### They Snoop to Conquer

Do you have exciting news that you want the entire neighborhood to hear? If so, the *Gazette* offers a new feature beginning in the February edition. We are instituting roving section reporters. So, if you have hot news items or juicy gossip items, you can phone them into your section reporter. The section reporters will take information such as birthdays, anniversaries, awards and achievements regarding the residents in that section. If you have an item that you would like to be in the *Gazette*, please contact the roving reporter for your section. We have been lucky enough to have volunteers for each section and their names and telephone numbers are listed below:

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Please feel free to contact your Section reporter with all of your titillating, exciting, earth shattering news or not so earth shattering news.

### G.O. C.O.P. Needs YOU

On Saturday morning, Nov. 21, I went downtown to the COP coordinator's workshop. This was a meeting with various other COP groups around the city. I found to my embarrassment that although we are one of the larger areas, we have the lowest participation. One small subdivision, for instance, has only 500 homes but they have 14 base stations (we have 5) and 60 patrollers (we have 10). Does Garden Oaks have egg on its face! We should have 42 base stations and 180 patrollers to equal their proportion.

So, we really need YOUR help. We need your time, your money, or your equipment. It's a known fact that the COP movement has decreased the criminal activity in neighborhoods where the citizens of that community support it and participate. We have the support ... we just don't have much participation. There are some interesting activities that we can get involved in.

First of all, be aware that this COP program is not only sponsored by the Houston Police Department, but they are behind it. Our city council representative, Helen Huey, is very, very aware of the program and she supports it one hundred percent. It's very possible that the city will authorize a new COP sign that can be installed in our neighborhood along where the "HOW" signs are displayed. This is an area where we could use your money (if you can't donate your time) because we will have to buy the signs. We believe that these signs will be a highly visible and positive indication that our community is a single unit working together to keep the criminal element at bay.

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