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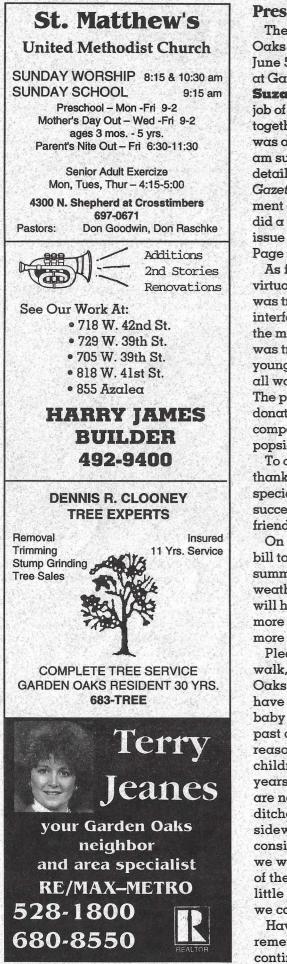
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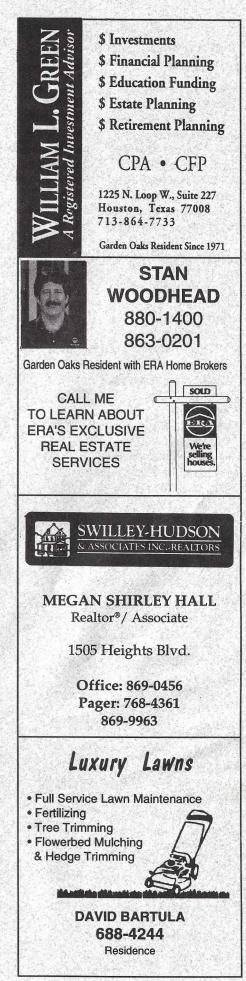
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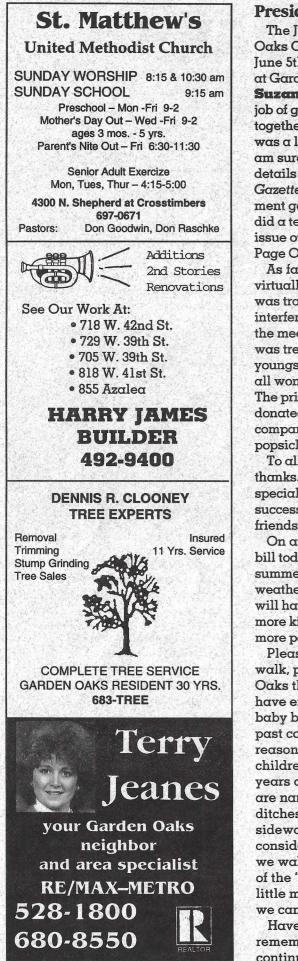
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The bad news is less than 50% of the 434 homes in Section 1 are participating. If we have the same amount of participation next year we will be unable to fund the program. We collected from 184 homes this year and it takes 204 homes contributing to cover the \$36,665.00 contract. Due to a surplus from last year's collections, we are able to proceed this year. In some respects the Constable Patrol Program has been too successful. Crime has been reduced to the point where some residents feel the program is no longer needed. THAT IS FLAWED REASONING. Do you remember November and December of 1992 when there was a neighbor broken into almost every Saturday night? Do you really want to go back to those days? It's not too late to participate this year. If you have any questions please call Denise Epstein at 869-**0128** or send your checks to: Garden Oaks Civic Club 527 West 33rd Street Houston, Texas 77018

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Garden Club Grapevine

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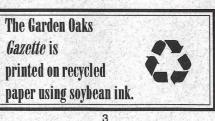
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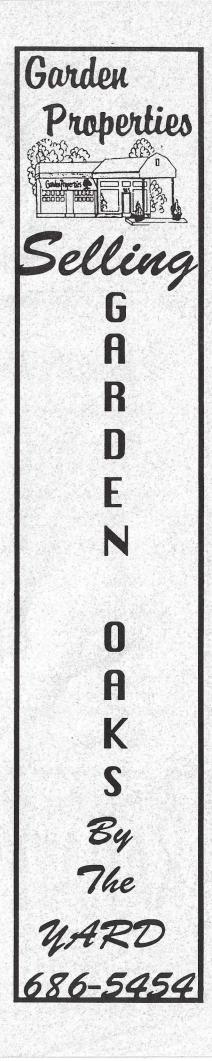
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The good news is Section lhas signed a new contract with the County Constable's Office for another year of security services. For the second year we will enjoy the peace of mind of having our own full time deputy plus 24 hour backup from Precinct 1 protecting our homes and streets. The bad news is less than 50% of

the 434 homes in Section 1 are participating. If we have the same amount of participation next year we will be unable to fund the program. We collected from 184 homes this year and it takes 204 homes contributing to cover the \$36,665.00 contract. Due to a surplus from last year's collections, we are able to proceed this year. In some respects the Constable Patrol Program has been too successful. Crime has been reduced to the point where some residents feel the program is no longer needed. THAT IS FLAWED REASONING. Do you remember November and December of 1992 when there was a neighbor broken into almost every Saturday night? Do you really want to go back to those days? It's not too late to participate this year. If you have any questions please call Denise Epstein at 869-**0128** or send your checks to: Garden Oaks Civic Club 527 West 33rd Street Houston, Texas 77018

A SPECIAL THANKS to the block captains in Section1 who gave of their time and energy to make the Constable Patrol Program a reality for another year! Stephen Schroeder, Sam Quisenberry, Jack Welker, Martha Kennedy, Wynn & Khanh Gajkowski, Peggy Kramer, Jerry Hajek, Earl Thomas, **Rick Englert, Franics** Burnett, Katie Wright, Mike Abrams, Kathy Huber, Jimmy Fox, Paul Bick, Suzanne Debien, Mark Roberts, Charlie Davidson, Tom Glass.

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CONSTABLE PATROL	
PARTICIPANTS	1

Soon you will receive new decals for your telephone and automobiles. THE TELEPHONE LABEL LOOKS THE SAME AS LAST YEARS' BUT IT CONTAINS A NEW DISPATCH TELEPHONE NUMBER DO NOT THROW IT AWAY affix the new label to your telephones immediately.

Do you have a birthday, promotion, graduation, award, or other special event to

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Garden Club Grapevine

As promised, here's your update on all the backyards we toured in May.

733 W. 43rd - Misty and David Jones bought their home in Garden Oaks 1 1/2 years ago. The large backyard was filled with trees and a large overgrown garden which turned into a swamp when it rained. Misty had the trees trimmed and several removed to triple the amount of light and a deck was built to replace the swamp. Another backyard highlight is the greenhouse. The front gardens include beds of annuals, perennials, herbs and iris

427 W. 33rd - Kathy Huber is the Garden Editor of the Houston Chronicle. Her English style gardens are filled with many delightful varieties of annuals, perennials, and shrubs. She and husband John Everett have built a lovely garden cottage in the backyard. Kathy says she would have the entire yard filled with gardens, but has to share the space with son **Catlin**.

3106 Randall - We are so very excited to have Elvin McDonald living in Garden Oaks and on our backyard tour! Elvin is founding editor of Flower and Garden Magazine, former garden editor of House Beautiful Magazine and author of over 40 books on plants and gardening. He is currently the buyer for the Compleat Gardener, a wonderful garden shop at Greenbriar and 59. Elvin's backyard contains beautiful handmade trellis' and many varieties of plants. One special feature was his garden seating, unique benches recycled from Nature.

955 Gardenia – When Lyt **Stamp and Jerry DeLoach** moved into their home, the backyard was bare! It now displays a screened porch, a Japanese gazebo with jacuzzi, and a stone water garden. We also loved their wonderful cacti collection.

1419 Sue Barnett - Nan Kittell is a longtime resident of Garden Oaks (and longtime member of the

Garden Club). Her garden contains many delights including a black-bottom pool, blackberry vines and a vegetable and herb garden. Nan's natural gardening style is evident in the woodland feel of her backvard. (And she also makes the greatest cranberry lemonade these authors have ever tasted!)

June Meeting Highlights: We viewed an educational video tape on beneficial insects for your garden. If you are interested in seeing the video or want more information about beneficial insects, please contact Peggy Ingels at 861-7073. The door prize of a pink ginger plant went to Peggy Ingels. Thank you to Marian Mabry

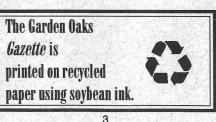
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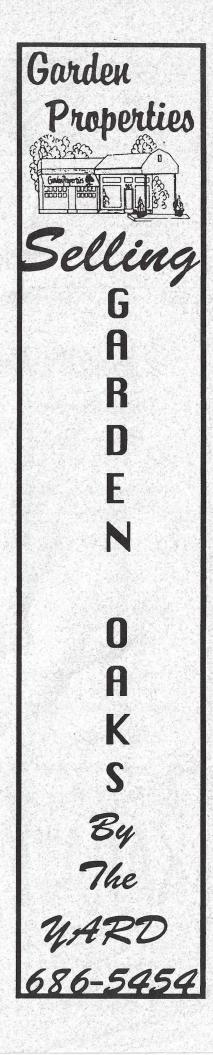
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Left at the party in the SPARK Park: a Girl Scout sash with several award patches. Call Paul Bick at 869-5559 to arrange for its return.

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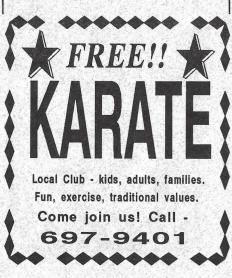


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