



# Garden Oaks Gazette

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## **GRAHAM PARK IMPROVEMENT TO BEGIN SOON TENNIS ANYONE?**

As many of you are aware, Graham Park on 34th Street is scheduled to be improved by the city in their Parks to Standard program. If anyone is interested in understanding the particular improvements that are planned, contact Mark Ross at the City of Houston Parks Department and he can provide you with more information.

Apparently, the Parks to Standard improvement work is scheduled to begin in February, 1996. However, the subcontractor to whom the job has been let was awarded three other park improvement projects. So when the Graham Park improvements begin will depend on how the contractor schedules the projects. I asked Mark to see if he could arrange Graham Park to be started first. If more people call him, it may have a greater impact.

I am especially interested in seeing that the tennis court is improved and that a backboard is added. I was able to get Mark's attention last year and have the city put new lights on the court. I would like to see if there are any tennis players in the neighborhood who would like to meet at the park on a regular basis. If you are interested, call me at **692-4266** and let me know your name, number and tennis level (A,B, or C). Let's see what we can arrange.

**Tony Padon**

## **MASTER GARDENER SPRINGS IT ON US**

Mr. Bob Frederick, Master Gardener, was our guest speaker at last month's civic club meeting on the subject of lawn and garden preparation for the spring. He gave a very interesting and informative presentation that captured the members' attention. Thank you Mr. Frederick, for coming to our meeting and sharing your knowledge with us.

Below is a list of some suggestions he made for this time of year:

- Renew any flower beds. add good organic material (compost), loosen soil;
- Raise beds a minimum of four to six inches;
- Spray shrubs and small trees with dormant oil spray (highly refined miscible oil) on limbs, trunks and evergreen foliage while temperatures are between 40 and 80° F.
- Plant/transplant any new trees or shrubs;
- Prune shrubbery and trees;
- If you have trees in your yard, fertilize now and water in. Rain will move fertilizer down to the tree roots since grass is not growing. Lightly fertilize grass again in May.
- When setting out plants (after March 1st) add slow time release fertilizer (90 day variety) in each planting hole. Plants should be set to original depth of soil when transplanting, except tomatoes - if long and lanky, lay horizontally and turn up 2 to 4 inches at tip. New roots form along stem;
- Soils - sandy and clay are two extremes. Both need additional organic matter. Good soil volume: 50-25-25, and
- You can call the **Harris County Agricultural Extension Service at 855-5600** for further information on a variety of related subjects.

## **MARCH CIVIC CLUB MEETING**

On Tuesday, March 5th, incumbent Ken Yarbrough and challenger David A. Jones will address the membership regarding their race for State Representative District 138 in the March 12th primary election. This will be a good opportunity to get familiar with their stance on important issues that face our community. After the meeting there are only 7 days until the election....perfect time to get a look at the candidates. Hope to see you there!

## **GARDEN OAKS RESIDENTS ANNOUNCE CANDIDACY**

**David A. Jones** is running for State Representative, District 138 in the Democratic Primary on March 12, 1996. David has been a resident of Garden Oaks and District 138 for four years.

**Yolanda Garza** is running for Precinct Chair, Precinct 1086 in the March primary elections. Yolanda has been a resident of Garden Oaks for 29 years.

Voting for Precinct 1086 takes place at Conn's Appliance, corner of North Shepherd and Loop 610.

## **TWO STARS ARE BORN**

Carly Epstein and Kate Fox were recently asked to be in the commercial Builders Square was filming in Section 1. The scene they were in was a backyard birthday party for a 13 year old girl. So, it wasn't a huge stretch for them since they both love parties. However, I do understand they are now looking for an agent! Look for them in the commercial which should be airing sometime in March.



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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

I've placed an insert in this edition of the Gazette which is a letter to the Texas State Dept. of Transportation asking them to build a sound abatement wall on the north side of Loop 610 adjoining our neighborhood. I've received many requests over the years from many of you in Sections 1 and 1A and knowing that the engineers are working on their next ten year plan as you read this, I decided it would be most appropriate if many of us let them know how we feel. Please use the insert, if you like, after signing and adding your address.

Well... with that done let me say I'm happy to be back. My Mexican project is delayed and I no longer expect to travel there anytime soon. This is all to the good because there are many projects in the works and I really didn't want to leave before they were all well underway.

Our first new project is repairing or replacing the Garden Oaks Neighborhood signs. Our old ones are looking rough and much in need of a redo. We'll also add at least two new ones on the Garden Oaks Blvd. esplanade and maybe a few more in some other spots.

Project two is our greenspaces. Currently, Friendship Garden is the only one of our parks with regular care and maintenance. Every other greenspace has the potential to be beautiful with some careful planning. And these parks could really showcase our community. We need to reactivate the Beautification Committee and perform a needs assessment for each of our parks.

Onto the budget! We're comfortably back into the black and our bank balances are much healthier than they were a year and a half ago. Ray Housley, our Treasurer, is reconciling statements from the last six or seven years and will soon present our spending and income statements for last year and the proposed budget for next year. At this time very few committees have requested funds for 1996 so it's tough to create a budget. I expect that to change soon as some of the new projects come on line and costs are quantified.

Being president sets me to thinking about governance and planning and maximizing benefits for the most people

for the least cost. Costs can be considered in terms of effort, time and money. And all this leads me to think Long Term. Few people move here expecting to live here only a short time. And so it's natural to plan for the Long Term because most people who live here now intend to be here far into the future. GO 2000 is our vision of what the neighborhood will be well into the next century and what steps we need to take now to maintain and enhance the integrity and viability of our community. I am excited by the progress Rob Stanchi and his team are making and I look forward to sharing our vision and plan with you in the next few months.

**Ed de Alba**

## **GARDEN OAKS CONSTABLE PATROL SECURITY DIRECTOR NEEDED**

After 4 years this one is worn out!! If you haven't been involved lately (or never) please see this as an opportunity to give something back to your neighborhood. LET'S TALK. Call **Denise Epstein at 869-0128.**

## **GARDEN CLUB NEWS**

The March Garden Club meeting (**March 14th**) will be held at the home of **Ann Ness, 970 Althea**. The program will be "*How to Attract Birds & Wildlife to Your Yard*" with the speaker being Garden Oaks resident, **David Veselka**. The meeting begins at **6:30 PM** and everyone is welcome. On **Saturday, March 16th**, the Garden Club will sponsor a **work day in Friendship Garden** which is located at the intersection of 30th and Lawrence. For information about these events, please contact **Brenda de Alba at 694-5934.**

## **YARD OF THE MONTH AWARD**

Yard of the Month for February was awarded to James Stafford, 328 W. 31st Street. Congratulations James!

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## GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB INVESTS IN COMMUNITY'S FUTURE

Realizing that "it takes a whole village to raise a child," the Garden Oaks Civic Club invested in its own future with a generous contribution to the Garden Oaks Elementary Montessori Program. Several Civic Club members gave a little extra when paying their Club dues this year, and the surplus was donated to Friends of Montessori, a non-profit organization of Garden Oaks parents who, in conjunction with HISD, provide funding for the community-based schooling program.

"This contribution shows that many of our neighbors agree with our philosophy that all children, regardless of socio-economic levels, have a higher probability of success in school when they have experience with the Montessori method," stated Jane Ann Roberts, President of Friends of Montessori. "We're thrilled to add the Civic Club to our family of sponsors, and are very appreciative of their trust and support."

In the second year of a five-year contract with HISD, the remarkably successful Montessori program now has four classrooms serving eighty-eight Pre-K through 3rd grade students, and plans to add a fifth classroom next school year for 3rd - 5th graders.

**Registration for 1996-97 classes runs through the entire month of March at Garden Oaks Elementary, and there are still a few openings.** "It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for parents to give their children a private education in a public school," stated Ms. Roberts.

Along with contributions from the business and private sector, Friends of Montessori hold several fundraising functions. An old fashioned **Brisket Sale** will be held at the school on **Friday, March 29**. The cost of the fully cooked briskets will be **\$30.00 each** and must be **picked up between 5:30 PM and 7:30 PM**. Checks need to be made payable to Friends of Montessori. Proceeds will go the Montessori program. Please call **Denise Epstein at 869-0128** or **Trish Merkhams at 688-4008** to place your order now!

## CITIZENS ON PATROL MARCH 1996

*Carl Waters, Jr., GO COP Coordinator*

On February 1, 1996, I accompanied Bill Chastain to a first of its kind meeting between the Command Staff, Line Officers and the Citizens Patrol Units working out of the North Shepherd Substation. The purpose of the meeting was to improve communication between the COP units and the police officers in the area.

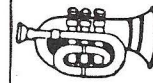
The meeting was chaired by Capt. Defoor and Co-chaired by Lt. Guidry who currently is assigned as the substation's contact officer for Citizens On Patrol. After Sgt. Linda Hamilton presented a brief history on the COP program in Houston the participants separated into 2 groups, the officers in one room and the Citizen Patrollers in another. Each group selected a spokesperson to represent their group. Bill was quickly nominated, seconded and voted as the spokesperson for the Citizen Patroller group.

The areas of concern raised by both groups centered around better training for the Citizen Patrollers regarding when and who to call about suspicious vehicles or activities, patrollers staying out of crime scenes and over stepping the boundaries of the training (questioning suspected gang members, etc.)

Patrollers stated they would like some acknowledgement that they are a part of the reason that city crime stats are falling. They also asked to be recognized with a wave or tap of the horn when passed by police patrol units. Citizens expressed concerns over the lack of visibility of police patrol units in certain parts of the area and one group inquired about getting a Police Store Front in their neighborhood.

At the conclusion of the meeting a smaller focus group was created to develop possible resolutions to the issues raised and the next meeting was tentatively announced for the end of July or early August.

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**GO COP REPORT**

We are pleased to announce that Carl Waters will be the new GO COP coordinator. There will be a smooth transfer of duties, over a period of time. Carl and his wife, Leslie, are very capable people and with cooperation from the community, will take the COP program to greater heights. I hope everyone will join me in welcoming them.

We continue to fall in a status quo category or rising and falling crime rates. The criminals jump back and forth to keep everyone off guard. We need more COP exposure to show the criminals that Garden Oaks cares, and is on the lookout for crime. Would you like to find out more about what's going on in your area? Plenty of information is available at the PIP meetings on the third Thursday of every month at St. Matthews Methodist Church, 7 PM, north entrance. Everyone has a choice: let the criminal element have their way or help put a stop to it.

Just to show what a dozen or so patrollers from Garden Oaks did accomplish, there were 979 hours patrolled out of 8760 possible hours in 1995. This averages out at under 2 1/2 hours per day. This does not amount to very much coverage but even so, there were only 58 crimes committed. How many would there have been without the patrollers? If this had been paid for at a customary \$15.00 per hour from a security company, it would have cost \$14,685. The Garden Oaks COP's have been doing something similar to this for 5 years.

**NOVEMBER CRIME STATS**

**Section 1**

11-01-95 - 11:00 PM	500 Block of W. 34th	Auto Theft
11-07-95 - 8:30 AM	700 Block of W. 30th	Burglary
11-14-95 - 8:00 AM	3100 Block of Lawrence	Burglary
11-15-95 - 7:35 AM	700 Block of W. 30th	Burglary
11-15-95 - 7:04 AM	200 Block of W. 34th	Burglary
11-21-95 - 11:00 PM	200 Block of W. 34th	Assault

Comment: The Constable is on duty 8 hours a day, but not every day of the week. He can make arrests, slow down speeders, and give tickets to law breakers. This is a plus, because we as civilians are unable to do this. The few hours patrolled by COP, after the 8 hours by the Constable in a 24 hours period is not enough deterrent to crime.

**Section 2 and 5**

11-12-95 - 11:00 PM	1000 Block of W. 41st	Burglary
11-29-95 - 5:00 PM	700 Block of W. 43rd	Burglary

**DECEMBER CRIME STATS**

**Section 2 and 5**

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## TRAFFIC PROJECT UPDATE

by Marc Roberts

### Part 1: Speed Humps

In mid-1995 the City of Houston made speed humps available as a means to control speeding traffic. As of this writing, the City has indicated that speed humps are scheduled to be installed during February on W. 34th street (between Shepherd and Yale) and on portions of Alba. In addition, the City is presently evaluating several other Garden Oaks neighborhood streets which have been proposed by residents for speed hump installations.

Any resident can initiate a request for speed humps to be installed on their street. To request more information on speed humps or to obtain a request form to initiate the evaluation of speed humps on your street call 658-4300 or write to the City at the following address:

Speed Hump Program  
Traffic Management and Maintenance Division  
Public Works & Engineering Department  
City of Houston  
P.O. Box 1562  
Houston, Texas 77251-1562

The City gathers and evaluates requests for speed humps twice a year and the next deadline for the submission of requests is July 1, 1996.

### Part 2: Neighborhood Traffic Project (NTP)

The City has recently reactivated the Neighborhood Traffic Project (NTP) after putting the project on hold on a city-wide basis for most of 1995. NTP requires the preparation of detailed traffic plan proposals and during 1994 Garden Oaks was involved in a highly publicized process of traffic plan preparation, including the gathering of petitions.

The purpose of the NTP Program is to reduce or better manage the problem of cut-through traffic in residential neighborhoods by installing devices which physically change existing neighborhood streets. These devices are designed to alter the traffic circulation routes within the neighborhood without preventing public and emergency vehicle access to the neighborhood, or causing traffic to be diverted through other residential streets. Examples of these devices include 911 emergency access only devices, entry/exit only, etc.

The City has indicated that tests in seven other neighborhoods have shown that speed humps have significantly slowed motorists and should help to reduce speeding traffic, however, the impact of speed humps in relieving existing problems associated with the volume and nature of cut-through traffic experienced by some residential streets in our neighborhood remains to be seen.

Before proceeding fully with NTP it would make sense for Garden Oaks residents to have a chance to see how the speed humps work, particularly in those sections where speed humps have been proposed or are about to be installed. As of this writing these areas would generally include all sections of Garden Oaks except for Section 1A (Section One west of Shepherd). For Section 1A, the (NTP) application will be filed by Rod Walker, a resident of Section 1A. The city will then review the application and upon approval, a second public meeting (Section 1A is exempt from the first public meeting) shall be held to gather public comments.

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### GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB MEMBERSHIP/RENEWAL FORM

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Children/birthdates: \_\_\_\_\_

Year moved to Garden Oaks: \_\_\_\_\_ Paying Dues for: 19\_\_\_\_ Section #: \_\_\_\_\_

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# MINUTES OF THE GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB MEETING

February 6, 1996

President Ed de Alba presided and began the meeting by announcing that his work project in Mexico had been postponed, leaving him available for his full presidential duties.

Discussion was initiated on the following topics:

**Beautification** - A new volunteer chairman for the Beautification Committee is needed. Ed commended Carla Hoyer on her past efforts as chairperson and indicated her increasing responsibilities with the Montessori program are the reason a new committee chair is needed. The Civic Club treasury now has enough money to fund some well-planned beautification projects. The wooden Garden Oak signs are rapidly deteriorating (Ed thanked Johnny Murphy for repairing the fallen sign on the 43rd Street esplanade) and need to be replaced. A needs assessment for each "green space" in the neighborhood will be initiated. Discussion also included what to do about unkempt yards in the neighborhood. Vice-President Craig Lee will send a letter to the Houston Chronicle to complain about newspapers which are left by the street vendors which blow everywhere and make an unsightly mess.

Suggestions from the floor which will be pursued: 1) contact the city to see if community service work might be available in helping with "green spaces" upkeep, 2) ask residents who regularly use lawn services to approach their company to "adopt" one of the "green spaces" and provide free mowing, 3) ask residents living near and around the "green spaces" to take a more active role in the upkeep, 4) initiate a contest in the Gazette and award a cash prize for the best new sign design, 5) provide a year's free advertising to any landscaping design company for designing landscaping plans for the "green spaces"

**GO COP** - Bill Chastain will be stepping down as Chairperson and Carl Waters will become the new chief GO COP as of March 1, 1996.

**Monthly Programs/Speakers** - Deborah Cartwright will be moving from the neighborhood later this year and a new volunteer will need to be found as a replacement.

**Treasurer's Report** - Ray Housley reported that the treasury is in excess of \$21,000. Budgets are needed from the different committees for 1996. A 1995 fiscal report will be published in the Gazette by April.

**Montessori** - Mark Roberts reported that March 1 will be the sign-up date for the 1996-97 school year. A pancake breakfast will be held at Garden Oaks Elementary on Saturday, Feb. 24th at 8 A.M. for a fund-raiser. The annual brisket sale will be at the end of March.

**Neighborhood Traffic Project** - Mark Roberts reported that speed humps have been approved on W. 34th Street between Yale and N. Shepherd and also along some areas of Alba. The deadline for the next round will be July 1. Any citizen can initiate the requests. The neighborhood traffic project has been reinstated by the city. Section 1 will not proceed with any further plans until the speed humps are given a trial period. Section 1A has selected to proceed and carry forth the traffic control plan for their area.

**Constable Program** - Warren Walden reported that subscriptions are still within the 50% category and currently no major shortfall exists in the treasury for this program.

**Membership** - Craig Lee reported that 285 members have joined or renewed their Civic Club membership for 1996. The entire 1995 membership was 211. The increased membership is attributed to the envelope insertions in the Gazette.

**Vision for Garden Oaks 2000** - Rob Stanchi reported that he would be gathering volunteers for this task force. He experienced a disk failure on his home computer which erased the volunteer names and phone numbers which he had already collected. Please contact him once again if you had previously volunteered for this activity.

**Garden Club** - Janice Walden announced that the next garden club meeting would be Thursday, Feb. 8 at Lynn Sievers home and that the program would be on butterfly gardening. A work day for Friendship Garden is scheduled for Saturday, March 16. Anyone is welcome to help. The Garden Club is considering a possible spring yard tour.

**Gazette Advertising** - Oscar Ochoa reported that several businesses have complained about the lack of neighborhood response from their Gazette ads.

**PLEASE patronize our area businesses.**

**Gazette** - Alex Martinez made a plea for articles.

**Miscellaneous:** Misty Jones volunteered to organize block captains throughout the neighborhood once her responsibilities have lessened after the March voting primary. Ed announced that a sound abatement wall is being considered for the north side of Loop 610 in the 2006 time period and that he has the address where letters may be sent in support of this effort. He will have more information in the March Gazette.

After the committee reports, Ed introduced the evening's speaker, Mr. Bob Frederick, a Master Gardener from the Harris County Agricultural Extension Agency. He spoke on general soil preparation.

After his presentation, Ed announced that speakers at the March meeting will be David Jones and Ken Yarborough who are both running for State Representative. David Jones is a Garden Oaks resident and Ken Yarborough is the incumbent.

The meeting was adjourned.

## GARDEN OAKS CIVIC CLUB

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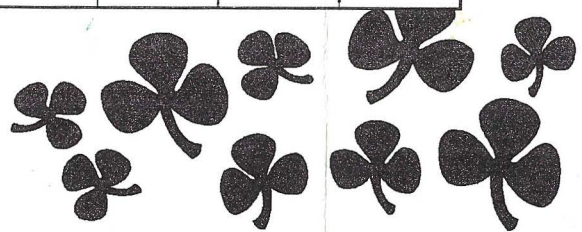
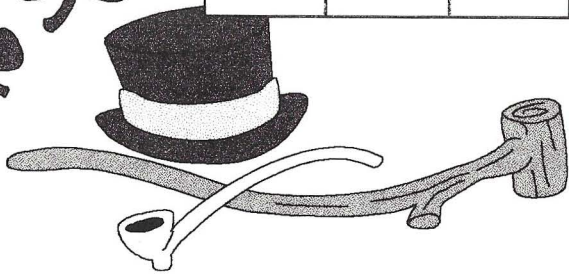
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3	4	5 Civic Club Meeting 7:00 PM	6	7	8	9 Recycle Drop-off 8 AM - 11 AM
10 Gazette Deadline	11	12 Primary Elections	13	14 Garden Club Meeting 6:30 PM	15	16 Friendship Garden Workday
17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19 Heavy Trash Pick-up	20 First Day of Spring	21 Positive Interaction Program 7 PM	22	23
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March 1, 1996

Mr. Gary Trietsch  
District Engineer, Houston District  
State Dept. of Highways and Public Transportation  
P.O. Box 1386  
Houston, Texas 77257-1386

Dear Mr. Trietsch,

I am a resident of the Garden Oaks neighborhood, a community of 1450 homes, which is located to the north of Loop 610, bounded by Yale Avenue to the east and Ella Boulevard to the west.

I am strongly in favor of the construction of a sound abatement wall adjacent to our neighborhood along the north side of Loop 610. The noise pollution, caused by ever increasing traffic levels along Loop 610 North, adversely affects the quality of life in this beautiful, older neighborhood. As the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation begins its planning phase for the early years of the next century, I would like to see funding allocated for the construction of this much needed wall.

Sincerely,

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# Garden Oaks Extra

## Garden Oaks Resident David A. Jones Is Candidate for State Representative District 138

David A. Jones has announced his candidacy for the office of State Representative District 138. A lawyer in Houston for over 20 years, Jones began his career as a Harris County Assistant District Attorney in 1976. Appointed Assistant Attorney General by Texas Attorney General John Hill in 1978, he represented the State of Texas in the Civil Rights Division. As a volunteer, activist, lawyer, public servant, and advisor to elected officials - David Jones has compiled an outstanding record of accomplishment.

David and his wife, Misty, have been residents of Garden Oaks and members of the Civic Club for more than four years. Misty has been active in the Garden Club, Recycling and as a columnist for the Gazette.

### Former TV/Radio Talk Show Host Enters Race for State House

Many residents may know David Jones as host of the Public Access TV show "Pressing Issues", where he debated elected officials and prominent citizens on important issues from 1989-1994. David was also the "Democratic Opinionator" on KSEV/KRPC Radio from 1994-1995 with Roger Gray and Dolly Madison McKenna.



### Candidate Blockwalks Entire State Rep District

As a part of his campaign for State Rep District 138, David A. Jones is walking the district to meet and talk with the voters. He believes that the people have a right to be heard by the person who wants to represent them

in Austin. David will listen to the people and respond to their concerns. As your State Representative, David will make children, families, and education his constant priorities and work hard to insure safe homes, safe streets, and safe neighborhoods for the people of District 138.

### David A. Jones to Sponsor Legislation

If elected State Representative, David A. Jones will sponsor legislation to:

- \* Repeal the Concealed Weapons Law and increase punishment for crimes committed with firearms.
- \* Control the location and accountability of residential correctional facilities.
- \* Make the State Budget friendly to children and families and oppose a state income tax.

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Candidate will be available for "Sign" Signing at next meeting of the Garden Oaks Civic Club


**Garden Oaks Civic Club to host forum  
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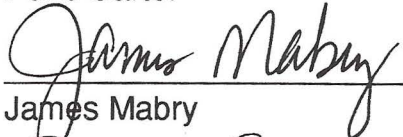
Many of your friends and neighbors in Garden Oaks, have already pledged their support for David A. Jones for State Representative District 138. Please join us ...

  
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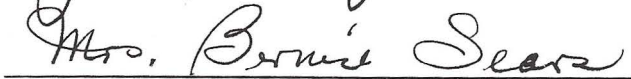
  
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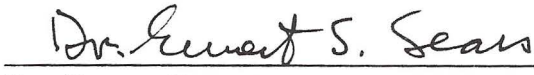
  
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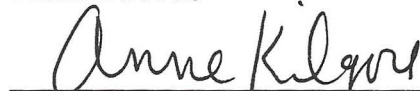
  
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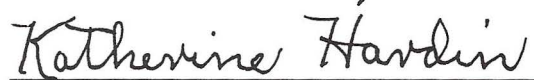
  
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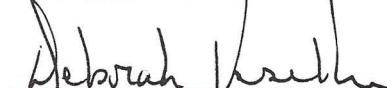
  
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