



# Garden Oaks Gazette

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## Home & Garden Tour Not Dampened by Rain

by Janice Walden

Down came the rain on the Home & Garden Tour, but the showers and the afternoon's brisk temperature did not keep away an impressive number of tour visitors. Tour captains reported that more than 600 attended the nine homes and gardens, with the Cohorn/Wilkins home at 850 LaMonte having the most with 643 visitors. The Stafford home/garden had 641 visitors and the Johnson home/garden had 613. The event grossed over \$15,000 and netted \$8,300, more than any other Garden Oaks Home Tour.

Things looked grim the morning of the tour. Starting off with wet weather, the skies turned darker with each hour of the morning. The tour hotline rang off the wall with people wanting to know if the tour had been canceled. The tour committee took the attitude of "the show must go on." And indeed it did, with over 140 volunteers manning ticket tables and the shuttle depot; docents standing dry inside, and cold and wet outside.

"Everything went more smoothly than expected, considering the rain," according to Tour Committee Chair Laura Morgan.

Tour visitors were itinerant, smiling and hardy in spirit. They forgave the circumstances and slogged their way through soggy gardens. In her driveway at 427 West 33rd, Kathy Huber autographed her book, *Texas Flowerscaper*, all afternoon.

Shuttle vans were available for tour visitors in the parking lot



1997 Home & Garden Tour Committee enjoy themselves at the Fajita Fiesta Preview Party the night before the tour. Left to right are: Judi Morawski, Laura Morgan, Kerri Epstein, Tina Nieto, Brenda de Alba, Tina Rowe, and Shana Tatum. Not pictured are: Susan Kostelecky, Lynn Sievers, and Janice Walden.

of Garden Oaks Plaza Shopping Center. Although the van made the rounds to shuttle visitors from site to site, many visitors in Section 1 chose to walk. Parking on the streets appeared to be under control. And, Constable Deputy Dick Matthias reported no serious incidents, just a couple of dead car batteries.

By 3 p.m., tents for the ticket takers had been delivered to the tour sites. Promotional material came out from under the plastic, and sales of posters, koozies, T-shirts, and Huber's book resumed.

The week prior to the event, Jonathan Morgan's beautifully crafted wood signs, made especially for the tour, were planted in the front yards of each

tour home and garden. The eve of the tour, the event kicked off with a Fajita Fiesta for tour participants at the home of Shana and Jay Tatum, and afterward, an elegant evening preview tour of the homes.

Fundraising for the tour gained considerable momentum in the last weeks. "We surpassed underwriting dreams. There are people who still want to give," said Morgan. Net proceeds will be divided as follows: 40% to the Beautification committee; 20% to the Garden Club; and 40% to be determined at a later date.

The tour committee takes an eight week hiatus before gearing up in August for the 1998 Home & Garden Tour. Volunteers are needed NOW to help work on the various committees.

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## President's Message

by Bennett Bartlett, 1997 Civic Club President

I must begin by thanking Laura Morgan for heading up the 1997 Home & Garden Tour committee. As many of her committee members confided to me, had Laura not stepped up to take the reigns, this year's Home Tour simply would not have gone forward. But she did, and it did, and it was a success.

In spite of the uncooperative weather, the tour was well-organized, well-run, and well-attended. To Laura, her hard-working committee, and all who volunteered,

please accept our heart-felt thanks for a job well-done. You made Garden Oaks shine brightly on a rainy day....

### Sound Wall

State Representative Ken Yarbrough, tacked on an amendment to a bill that has passed the House, requiring the State to erect a sound barrier along the north side of Loop 610 between T.C. Jester and Yale. By the time this reaches you, you may have already been asked to sign a petition or sign and mail a letter of support. Remember, in local politics particularly, *the squeaky wheel gets the grease*. Pitch in and let our elected officials know we're here, we're active, and we shall be heard.

As President, I get numerous questions about things that I am powerless to change. I want to air those complaints for general knowledge:

**Green poles.** Admittedly, the poles beside the new speed humps (mine included) are unsightly. Perhaps they should come down, but I welcome suggestions for ways to

preserve our grass from inconsiderate drivers.  
**Garbage and heavy trash pickup.** Residents putting their trash out too early is an endemic problem. Technically, trash should not be put near the street before 6 p.m. the evening before a pickup. We want our neighborhood to look nice. On the other hand, this is a minor infraction, and people have unusual circumstances from time to time. For the big offenders, the city can and will issue a costly fine. Otherwise a little consideration for one's neighbor goes a long way...in both directions.

**Noise at the Star Market.** I am sorry to tell those of you who had to endure the noise on April 12 and 13 from the Star Market that the Market was within its rights under all city ordinances and rules. Nevertheless, Hardam Singh Azad, the owner of Star Markets, Inc., was concerned about the complaints, and has asked to come to speak to us. He is scheduled to speak at the June 3rd civic club meeting. Please bear in mind that this should not a "bitch" session. Mr. Azad knows our neighborhood is a force to contend with, and he wants our business. Let's acknowledge his revitalization of a run-down, unsightly area in our midst.

See you on June 3rd!



# Civic Club Meeting Minutes

by Andrea Spiering, Secretary

President Bennett Bartlett called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 1997. Officers present: Bennett Bartlett, Craig Lee, Andrea Spiering, Sheila Briones, and Ray Housley. Residents in attendance: 37. New members were welcomed. Minutes from the April meeting, as published in the May *Gazette*, were amended to correct the last day of school for Garden Oaks Elementary students to May 29th, and subsequently approved.

**Vice-President's Report:** Craig Lee reported that there will be a welcoming packet committee meeting in the next week or two. Any new residents with suggestions for the packets, contact him.

**Beautification:** Brenda and Ed de Alba reported on the grant submitted to the city on April 18 to rejuvenate the Garden Oaks Boulevard esplanade. A total of 45 applications were received by the City; \$30,000 is available with a \$5,000 maximum. Work on the esplanade will begin soon with current funds. A meeting with Helen Huey, HPD, city traffic department and concerned residents will take place Thursday, May 8, to address the traffic problem at Garden Oaks Elementary and its effect on the esplanade. There was discussion on ways to improve traffic flow.

Bollards will be placed around the perimeter of the green space to prevent cars from parking or crossing the boulevard. In several weeks Ed will be looking for volunteers to help place these. Call him to help.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ray reported that the Home Tour grossed at least \$12,750. Some costs and expenditures were briefly discussed.

**Constable Program:** Charlie Dickson announced that Sections 1 and 1A are currently \$1,000 short to complete this year's contract, expiring June 1. Contract is paid through May 15. Thanks to all who helped Greg Wolfe with the flyers and all who attended the Park Party May 4. Program is currently 25% funded for next year - if more participation is not visible by May 15th, the program will not be renewed. Discussion followed. Comments or questions can be directed to Charlie.

**Home Tour 1997:** Laura Morgan reported on a very successful Home Tour. Approximately \$15,000 was obtained from ticket sales and underwriters. There were \$6,632 in expenditures leaving a profit of \$8,368!! This surpasses the profit of the last home tour by about \$2,000! Still available are T-shirts (\$7), Kathy Huber's book (\$18), posters (\$1) and koozies (\$1). The 1998 Home Tour Committee will begin organizing in August.

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 Clip here and mail to: Craig Lee @ 212 W. 34th Street, Houston, Texas 77018

## Garden Oaks Civic Club Membership Renewal Form

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

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

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**Talks Begin on Alleviating Traffic Congestion at GO Elementary**

by Ed de Alba

A meeting was held at Garden Oaks Elementary on May 8 with HISD officials, City Traffic Control, Street Engineering, HPD, Councilwoman Helen Huey, and Garden Oaks residents to discuss possible solutions to the traffic problems along Garden Oaks Boulevard and Sue Barnett.

The current situation at the school, during drop-off and pick-up hours, lends itself to congestion on the streets and illegal parking on the esplanade and in residents' yards.

The meeting's objective was to elicit ideas and discuss possible solutions. About a dozen different ideas were raised, ranging from adding angled parking in front of the school to paving the esplanade with green concrete. Neither idea was adopted but one idea was put forward by Councilwoman Huey. She suggested removing the school bus traffic from the school entrance and routing it instead through the parking lot and out through the adjoining HISD maintenance facility's parking area. Hopefully, HISD will adopt this solution.

Traffic Control will also change the signage on the esplanade to allow HPD to better enforce the "no parking" rule.

Thanks to everyone for attending and many thanks to Helen Huey's office for getting the right city personnel to attend.

**City Recycling Brochure**

For those Garden Oaks residents who did not receive a city recycling brochure along with their green recycling bin, contact Sheila Briones, *Gazette* Editor, at 861-8091.

Brochures will also be available at the June 3rd Civic Club Meeting.

**Constable Program Hopes to Fill Committee Slots**

by Angela Dickson, Constable Program

There is a need in the Constable Program - *volunteer time*. All but one volunteer currently working on the program will be leaving in the next month or so. Proposed is a committee structure (5 positions) that will allow the background work to be done in a reasonable amount of time. We need 3-4 new volunteers to help run the program into next year. Contact Angela Dickson at 802-0817.

**Quotes of the Month**

• "When you reach for the stars, you may not quite get one, but you won't come up with a handful of mud either."  
**Leo Burnett**

• "Waiting until everything is perfect before making a move is like waiting to start a trip until all the traffic lights are green."  
**Karin Ireland**

Source: *Communication Briefings*

**TAKE NOTE!**

• **No Civic Club Meetings for the months of July and August.**

*Instead:*

-Residents are urged to support the Third Annual Bicycle Parade, Friday, July 4th, Spark Park, 10 a.m.

-During the month of August, residents are encouraged to hold "block parties" for National Neighbor's Night Out, Tuesday, August 5.

• **No Garden Club Meetings during the summer months. Next meeting: Sept. 22, 220 W. 34th. Topic: Salvias.**

# Esplanade Matching Grant in Hands of City

by Brenda de Alba, Beautification Committee Chair

Our neighborhood made quite an impression to a number of Home Tour attendees who live in other parts of Houston (even WITH the rain), and I want to thank everyone for the work they did sprucing up yards and parks!

We are still awaiting news from the City Matching Grant Committee on whether Garden Oaks will receive matching funds for our Esplanade Beautification Project. A total of 45 applications were submitted by the deadline date, so keep your fingers crossed that we'll be selected. The 44 understory trees which we hope to plant will all be planted on the "nose" ends of the Esplanade where there is currently little or no vegetation. None of the understory tree types will reach the height and size of our large oaks and pines. PLEASE consider making a

contribution to the neighborhood by donating a tree or shrub. See the form below!!

The following memorial tree donations have been received:

- *Two gifts from Sandra & Kenneth Seyffert - Section 5* for 1) William Edward (Bill) Canterbury, GO resident since 1950, died 4/8/97, at age 89 and 2) Violet Pearson, 7 1/2 year resident of GO. Age 74 at death.

- *Gift from the Jeffers Family - Section 1* for Keith Allen Cox.

- *Gift from Kerri & Rob Epstein - Section 2* for Ashlynd & Madyson Epstein.

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## GO Caroling Seeks New Leader

GO Caroling, a community service project in the Garden Oaks area, is looking for someone to head up the steering committee this year.

Audrey Vallance, founder and current chair of the steering committee, is moving to Malaysia in July. The rest of the committee will continue their work but need someone to oversee the project.

This project has become a favorite activity in Garden Oaks for the last three years and we hate to see it not continue. Everyone benefits from this project—an organization gets items they need,

the residents of Garden Oaks get to hear beautiful music the night of the event, and 100+ carolers roam the streets bringing holiday cheer to the neighborhood.

If you are that special person who would like to join the steering committee, please call Audrey Vallance at 686-0707.



GO Caroling '97 is scheduled for Friday, December 12.



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## Area Residents Buy Establishment to Create a Place Where Neighbors Can Gather

by Carol Meyer

Sisters Pat Walker and Nancy Rust took ownership of Jim's Corner, Wakefield @ Alba, in January with the intent of making it a neighborly place to gather.

As area residents and local businesswomen, Pat and Nancy have a vested interest in Garden Oaks and the maintenance of the area's integrity. Their goal is to create the kind of atmosphere at Jim's Corner that will attract local residents.

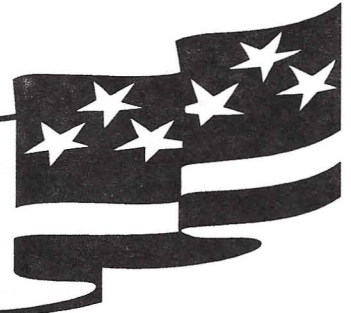
They plan to have cookouts

(with a possible crawfish boil), occasional live music (not too loud), and special promotion nights such as making Saturday, "Garden Oaks Night" where neighbors gather to challenge each other to pool and darts.

Jim's Corner is located at 895 Wakefield and is open from 9:30 a.m. until 12 midnight Monday through Thursday and Saturdays. On Fridays the hours are 9:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sundays, 12 p.m. to 12 midnight.

### *Gear Up for the Third Annual July 4th Bicycle Parade!*

Friday, July 4, 1997  
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## GO-COP Patrollers Hard at Work

by Carl Waters, Jr., GO-COP

For March, patrollers and bases were out protecting the neighborhood for a total of 88.75 hours. There were three crimes reported: a robbery in the 800 block of Lamonte on March 7 at 6:45 p.m.; a burglary of a motor vehicle in the 700 block of W. 43rd on March 8 at 11:30 a.m.; and a burglary in the 700 block of Garden Oaks Blvd. on March 18 at 7:30 a.m.

During April, calls from area residents were received. One resident called to report a burglary in her home and another resident called to advise someone had walked onto their property and was stopped by a workman. It was not clear if the intruder was trying to get into the workman's van or the resident's home. The resident called back a few days later to say

that he had observed the same person, a skinny black male, in a dark colored import car, driving slowly by his home that evening. The car can be distinguished by it's "low rider" frame and short tires. If you see the driver of this vehicle acting suspiciously please contact HPD.

This month our featured patroller is Susan Kostelecky who has been a patroller since November 1995. Susan and her husband, Keith, live on Sue Barnett. Susan owns an interior design firm and was instrumental in finding a number of the sponsors for the recent home tour. Also, Susan agreed to take on the position of director of advertising for the *Gazette*. Thank you Susan, for supporting the neighborhood and the GO-COP Program.

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## Civic Club Minutes

Currently 20% of the profits from the tour goes to the Civic Club, 40% to Beautification and 20% to the Garden Club. Several motions from the floor were entertained on dividing the final 20% profit. Further discussion lead to tabling any allocation of the remaining 20% until the June Civic Club meeting.

**GO-COP, Education Liasion, and Garden Club:** No reports.

**Recycling:** May Recycle Saturday will be the last. Green bins will soon be received from the city as the Recycling Program takes effect. We can proudly say we had the second recycling program in existence and the oldest continuously run program.

### New Business

**Sound Wall:** Garden Oaks is interested in getting a sound wall along the 610 frontage. Current law does not allow for this. Ed de Alba and Bennett Bartlett reported on a bill currently in the Texas House which would approve a sound wall on the north side of 610 from T.C. Jester to Yale. This rider was added by Ken Yarborough to a bill by Senfronia Thompson. It has passed the House committee and now goes to the Senate. It must be approved there and also obtain funding from the Appropriations Committee. Residents may contact the Department of Transportation, Senator Whitmire and the Appropriations Committee and let them know we want a sound wall. A committee will be put together ASAP to follow up on this.

Members of the Garden Oaks 1997 Home Tour Committee were honored with framed certificates of appreciation for their hard work. Honored were: Laura Morgan, Brenda de Alba, Kerri Epstein, Susan Kostelecky, Judy Morawski, Tina Nieto, Tina Rowe, Lynn Sievers, Shana Tatum, and Janice Walden.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. Refreshments provided by Terry Jeanes.

## GO Recycling Program Served the Community for 15 Years

by Ed de Alba

I have mixed feelings with the start of city recycling and the end of our home grown Garden Oaks Recycling Program. Our program started in 1982, long before recycling was easy and before many products commonly used recycled materials. There wasn't much of a market in recycled materials then and the Garden Oaks' program was unique in that it not only removed reusable materials from the waste stream but also fostered a market for recycled products.

We have a lot to be proud of. Garden Oaks was the second neighborhood in the city to put a recycling program in place, and we have (had, by the time you read this) the longest running program in the city. West University put

their program in place a few months before we did, but converted to city recycling years ago.

Will I miss it? Sure... I won't miss the heat, the sweat, mixed-up plastics or the aroma of unwashed milk jugs and cat food tins—but the camaraderie, the sense of accomplishment, and the knowledge of doing the right thing for the environment.

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## June 1997

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1	2	3 Civic Club Mtg. 7 p.m. Garden Oaks Baptist Church	4	5	6 <b>Gazette Deadline</b>	7
8	9	10	11	12 Curbside Recycling	13	14
15 Father's Day	16	17 Heavy Trash Pick-up	18	19 PIP Meeting	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Curbside Recycling	27	28
29	30	 <p>Happy Father's Day</p>				

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# 1997 Gardens Oaks Home & Garden Tour In Pictures Preview Party



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## Tour Day



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## People



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**Suzanne Debien/Henry S. Miller, Realtors**  
**Terry Jeanes/Re/Max Metro**  
**The Frame Shop**  
**Tony's Mexican Restaurant**

Adrian's Restaurant Y Cantina  
Alfred's Time Square Flowers  
Anonymous Azalea St. Resident  
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Auntie Pasto's  
Bally Total Fitness  
Barbecue Inn  
Big Dave's Burgers  
Binswanger Glass  
Black-Eyed Pea  
Bombay Palace  
Brink's Ace Hardware  
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Carter & Cooley Co.  
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Complete Car Care  
Courtyard by Marriott Brookhollow  
Creative Expressions in Glass  
Dirty's Restaurant  
Discount Tire  
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Flower Mill  
Flowers Etc.  
Flowertime  
Flying Saucer  
Garden Oaks Cleaners  
Garden Oaks Shopping Center

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Happy Nails  
Hickory Hollow  
Hofbrau Steaks  
House of Coffee Beans  
Jana's Flowers  
Kaplan's-Ben Hur  
Karen Benson  
Laff Stop  
La Tour d'Argent  
Legato-The Hair Salon  
Local Attorney  
Luby's Cafeteria  
Luxury Lawns  
Main Street Theatre  
Merle Norman Boutique  
Merry Maids  
Mexicatessen  
Miller's Cafe  
Mills Bible Store  
Mi Sombrero Mexican Restaurant  
Mister Car Wash  
Mytiburger  
National Pet Center  
N. Shepherd Bowling Lanes  
O.D.'s Printing  
Original Pasta Co.  
Pat Buron  
Pat H. Foley Funeral Home  
Pecos Grill  
Pizza Hut  
Popcorn Plus/Nuts Etc.  
Pro-Tec Pest Control

Q-Lube  
Quality Feed  
Rainbow Lodge  
Ramada Plaza Hotel  
Randall's Supermarket  
Ritz-Carlton Houston  
Roznovsky's Hamburgers  
Scenic Tours  
Sherwin Williams  
ShIPLEY Donuts  
Smith & Hawken  
Splashtown Waterpark  
Steak Country  
Subway  
Taco Bell  
Taco Cabana  
Tecate Mexican Restaurant  
The Cat's Pajamas  
The Golden Room  
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**YOUR GARDEN OAKS NEIGHBOR & AREA REAL ESTATE SPECIALIST  
BELIEVING IN & SELLING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD EVERYDAY!**

### THANKS TO YOU BUSINESS IS GREAT!

For over 13 years, I have worked hard assisting our neighbors selling their homes, and finding great new neighbors to join our community. Why? Because.....

**I AM SOLD ON GARDEN OAKS!**

**'97 NEW NEIGHBORS.....PLEASE WELCOME THEM!  
(TERRY'S 1997 CLOSED GARDEN OAKS SALES)**

938 West 42nd.

710 West 32nd.

1543 Sue Barnett

1003 Althea

1055 Lamonte

1526 Sue Barnett

1043 Lamonte

328 West 30th.

1054 West 42nd.

1563 Sue Barnett

1023 West 43rd.

1566 Sue Barnett

### GARDEN OAKS REAL ESTATE UPDATE

(as obtained in Houston Multiple Listing Service 5/97)

#### CURRENT ACTIVE LISTINGS

26 Listings Found

High List Price .... \$259,900

Low List Price .... \$ 65,000

Average List Price ... \$110,477

Average List Price per Sq. Ft.\*... \$77.84

\*(note price per sq.ft. varies from \$54.14 to \$118.59)

#### SOLD AND CLOSED DATA

JANUARY 1, 1997 - APRIL 30, 1997

29 Closed Transactions

#### HIGHS

List Price: \$229,000      Sales Price: \$224,000

Days on Market: 422      \$/Sq.Ft. : \$104.41

% of List /Sales Price : 101%

#### LOWS

List Price: \$49,900      Sales Price: \$42,500

Days on Market: 1      \$/Sq.Ft.: \$40.28

% of List/Sales Price : 85%

#### AVERAGES

List Price: \$108,874      Sales Price: \$104,314

Days on Market: 97      \$/Sq.Ft.: \$74.03

% of List/Sales Price : 95%

### GIVING BACK TO GARDEN OAKS

18+ years ago, deciding to call Garden Oaks "HOME", I was given an opportunity to become involved. Why did this happen? First, I believed in Garden Oaks and the small town pride and commitment we each hold. Initially with '70's neighborhood clean-up days onward to the '80's as Chairman of 2 Home Tours, Civic Club President, & even Gazette Editor, I believed you had to give back. Now, in the '90's, serving as chair/member of several civic committees and financial underwriter of many other neighborhood functions, you can bet my commitment is here to stay! Thank you for the opportunity to place my roots deep into Garden Oaks soil and to call it "HOME" !

\* Neighborhood "Dirty Dozen" Clean-up Crew \*

\* 1981 Home Tour Committee \*

\* 1983 & 1985 Home Tour Chairman \*

\* 1983 & 1984 Gazette Editor \*

\* 1985 Civic Club President \*

\* 1983 - 1986 Civic Club Board Member \*

\* Numerous Civic Club Nominating Committees \*

\* 10+ yrs. Gazette Advertiser \*

\* Founding Member-GOPHER \*

Garden Oaks People Helping Education Reform  
(catalyst for Friends of Montessori)

\*\*96 Matching Contributor Naff \$500 Challenge\*

\* '97 Home Tour Underwriter \*

(3 additional contributing years)

\* '95-'97 Hospitality Chairman \*

\* mid '96-'97 Program Chairman \*

& more to come....because

I believe in Garden Oaks!

OFFICE: 713-528-1800

HOME: 713-680-8550

## ADDITIONAL NEWS YOU CAN USE

### GARDEN OAKS LISTINGS 5/15/97

Address	Price
726 Garden Oaks	\$259900
733 W. 38th.	\$152000
1087 W. 41st.	\$149900
512 W. 34th.	\$137900
332 W. 33rd.	\$129900
4227 Apollo	\$127200
831 W. 41st.	\$126900
502 Azaleadell	\$124937
327 W. 31st.	\$124900
946 W. 43rd.	\$119969
511 W. 30th.	\$115500
1430 Sue Barnett	\$114900
1434 Sue Barnett	\$110000
504 W. 30th.	\$ 97200
1022 Lamonte	\$ 96500
826 W. 31st.	\$ 94500
1067 W. 41st.	\$ 94000
947 Gardenia	\$ 89900
855 W. 43rd.	\$ 89500
931 W. 42nd.	\$ 87500
1078 W. 43rd.	\$ 81995
815 W. 43rd.	\$ 74500
1079 W. 43rd.	\$ 73900
706 W. 39th	\$ 69000
915 W. 43rd	\$ 65000
902 W. 43rd.	\$ 65000

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### NEIGHBORHOOD RECIPES

FROM THE HEART OF GARDEN OAKS  
COOKBOOK VOLUME II

#### Mother's Pecan Pie

Sandy Altman

1 C. sugar	2 Tbl. flour
1/2 tsp. salt	3 eggs
1/2 C. evaporated milk	1 tsp. vanilla
1 C. chopped pecans	1 C. Karo syrup

Mix together sugar, flour, & salt. Stir in corn syrup. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Add vanilla, then milk. Pour into unbaked pie shell, sprinkling with pecans. Bake at 375 degrees for about 45 mins. or until brown.

#### Spanish Rice

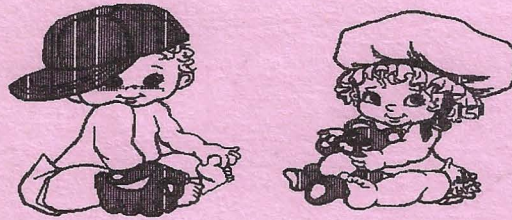
Terry Jeanes

1 C. Rice	1 clove garlic-minced
1 tsp. salt	1 C. onion chopped
3 Tbl. fat	1/2 C. Bellpepper-chopped
1 lb. ground beef	1 can tomatoes

Brown rice in fat. Add onion, pepper, garlic, & meat. Cook until meat is brown. Add tomatoes & salt. Simmer until rice is cooked.

NOTE: This is not intended for soliciting property which is already listed.

NEED A BABYSITTER THIS  
SUMMER?



Becky Jeanes

• Garden Oaks Civic Club babysitter •  
680 - 8550