



Garden Oaks Gazette

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Fourth Annual Garden Oaks Caroling Festival Schedule

Friday, December 12, 1997 6-9 p.m.

- 6:00 Meet at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 43rd @ Crosstimbers for dinner and prizes awarded for Most Creative Group, Most Multi-Generational Group, Largest Group and lots of others!
- 6:20 Groups warm up and receive route assignments.
- 6:45 Groups depart.
- 7:00 Groups traverse the streets of Garden Oaks, singing and collecting donations.
- 9:00 Groups drop off donations at St. Matthew's.

Holiday Music to Fill the Streets of Garden Oaks

Calling all Garden Oaks residents! On Friday, December 12, Garden Oaks will once again reverberate with joyous holiday music as carolers take to the street for the Fourth Annual Garden Oaks Caroling Festival from 7 to 9 p.m.

Beneficiaries are Casa de Esperanza and Care from the Heart. Casa provides crisis intervention and specialized foster care for HIV positive children who cannot stay at home. Care from the Heart is the UT Health Science Center program for Hemophilia and HIV Pediatrics. Care also provides counseling, medical care, day care and other support services free of charge to their clients. Both agencies have worked collaboratively since 1987.

Their wish lists include infant and baby needs, housekeeping products, dietary and kitchen staples. For the past three years Garden Oaks residents have given generously by donating enough diapers, baby wipes, baby food, etc. to fill several vans. In exchange, residents are treated to holiday music provided by volunteer carolers.

You can participate in other ways:

1) Donate items to the carolers as they visit homes. Bags will be provided to each home in Garden Oaks the week prior to December 12 with a wish list of items from the agencies. Fill bags and await carolers.

2) Organize a group of carolers. Carolers do not have to be Garden Oaks residents. Meet at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church at 6:00 p.m. on December 12 to practice and be assigned a route. (You may join someone else's group). No need to carry a tune; just bring good will and merriment! Song sheets provided. Each group also needs to provide a vehicle to accompany them and pick up the donations. Call Michelle Franke at 683-1642 to organize a group or to volunteer a vehicle.

The Rock 'n' Roll Reindeers, which is made up of Azalea Street friends and neighbors, have issued a challenge to all Garden Oaks residents. They would like to see residents from each street form their own caroling group such as the Sue Barnett Sleigh Bells, 42nd Street Steppers, Apollo Astronauts, and Lawrence Fa La La's, etc.

Other groups have participated in the past: St. Matthew's United Methodist Church Choir, Prudential Premier Properties, The Greater Houston Chorus, CyCreek High School Drama Club, Heartsong and Girl Scout Troop # 2125.

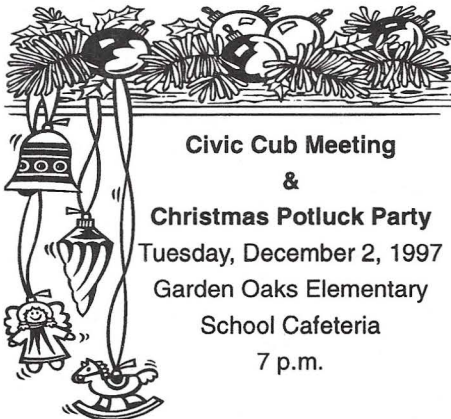
Garden Oaks seniors are invited to join the merriment at St. Matthew's for refreshments and song from 6- 9 p.m. Transportation to and from St. Matthew's will be provided by calling 692-6778.

Thank you to the following sponsors:

- St. Matthew's United Methodist Church for hosting
- Doyle's Restaurant for refreshments
- Office Depot on Kirby for photocopying services
- Fiesta Mart on Shepherd for grocery bags

For more information about Garden Oaks Caroling or to participate, call Tina Sabuco at 692-6778 or Michelle Franke at 683-1642.

Holiday Fun for Everyone



**Civic Club Meeting
&
Christmas Potluck Party**
Tuesday, December 2, 1997
Garden Oaks Elementary
School Cafeteria
7 p.m.

This meeting is a social function and a covered dish event. The only business is the election of 1998 officers. Attendees are asked to bring the following, if your last name begins with:

- A-F Covered vegetable
- G-L Dessert
- M-R Bread
- S-Z Appetizer

Rick Englert, Haute Cuisine, will cook the main course: turkey.

GO-COP Program Lists September Crimes

by Carl Waters, Jr., GO-COP

Houston Police Department crime statistics for September indicated three crimes in the Garden Oaks area. All were burglaries of motor vehicles which occurred on:

- September 20, 9:35 p.m. in the 300 block of W. 30th
- September 23, 8 p.m. in the 1000 block of LaMonte
- September 29, 8 p.m. in the 200 block of W. 30th.

In September GO-COP patrollers and base station operators monitored the neighborhood for 75 3/4 hours. Thank you one and all for your efforts.

This month Johnnie Murphy is our patroller of the month. Johnnie has been with the patrol program since 1991 and currently works behind the scenes tracking our equipment inventory and making minor repairs to the radios used by the patrollers and base stations. Thank you, Johnnie, for your dedication to the program.

As the year draws quickly to a close, those of us at the Citizens-on-Patrol program want to wish all of our Garden Oaks neighbors a safe and joyous holiday season and a Happy New Year.

St. Rose of Lima News

by Judy McCullough, Principal

St. Rose of Lima School is now into its second quarter and underwent a week long visit from an Accreditation Team on November 17. Catholic schools in Texas undergo site visits every ten years to verify compliance with education standards.

We will celebrate the Christmas season with a school concert on the evening of December 18. All students will celebrate the end of 1997 at a pizza luncheon on December 19. Our winter break starts immediately after lunch.

President's Message

by Bennett Bartlett, 1997 Civic Club President

Party, Party, Party. Our December meeting is traditionally a potluck dinner, and we take care of little, if any, business. Never break with a good tradition, I say. Rick Englert has again generously volunteered to prepare the main course, and everyone else is encouraged to bring a dish of one sort or another, depending on your last name. (Refer to the list on Page 1 of the *Gazette*). Remember, it's at Garden Oaks Elementary School cafeteria.

Single (and other busy) People. I hated potlucks when I was single. I never knew what was and was not okay to bring. (Of course, I still don't know, but luckily for me, my wife does). For our potluck, however, who cares: bring Randall's potato salad, bring a bag of chips, bring a box of cookies, whatever, JUST COME. The more, the merrier.

A Little Bit of Business. We didn't elect the 1998 officers at the last meeting. We will elect them at the December meeting. We were presented with the following slate by the Nominating Committee:

- **President: Craig Lee**
- **Vice President: Tom Stell**
- **2nd VP, Gazette Editor: Meredith Jenkins**
- **Secretary: Andrea Spiering**
- **Treasurer: Shelley Immel**

Nominations will be also be taken from the floor. I do not wish to discourage anyone who might be thinking of running for any office. That being said, however, many thanks to the nominating committee for bringing forward an excellent slate of candidates. The arm twisting and cajoling worked.

Membership Dues. The dues go up in January, 1998 for everyone except senior citizens. Pay your dues before January 1, 1998 and pay at the old rate.

In Closing. This concludes my last president's letter-- at least for a while. I have enjoyed doing this and I'd like to entertain doing it again someday, my family willing.

For now, I want to say THANK YOU! Thanks generally for letting me do this job. Thanks specifically to the other officers and committee heads who made the job so easy. And thanks particularly to all of you who took time to pay me a compliment. For the sake of future officers, let me assure you that an occasional, "Hey, you're doing a good job," goes a long way. We've made progress here and there, the status quo is none the worse for wear, and the civic club is in good hands for the coming year. I'm pleased. See you around!

Garden Oaks Elementary News

by Eugenia Daniels, Principal

Garden Oaks Elementary has had a fantastic first three months of school! Our Open House and Scout Night on October 14 and our Fall Festival on November 8 were well-attended and most successful.

We are also so excited that the civic club will now meet in our multi-purpose room! This is so important because Garden Oaks Elementary works with the future every day - our children.

Remember that volunteers are both needed and appreciated at Garden Oaks Elementary! We need more community volunteers, particularly to assist with tutoring. If you would like to read to students or tutor math, reading or writing, please call Cynthia Moore, Assistant Principal, at 696-2930. Thirty minutes a week on campus would assist in a big way.

Please call me if there is any way that I can assist you.



Garden Oaks Civic Club Minutes

by Andrea Spiering, Secretary

Bennett Bartlett opened the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Officers in attendance: Bennett Bartlett, Craig Lee, Sheila Briones and Ann Spiering. Minutes from October meeting were approved by acclamation. Approximately 45 residents were in attendance.

President's Report. Bennett discussed the final board of directors meeting for 1997. Decisions were made by the board on an advertising policy for the *Gazette* to be published later. The board also voted to increase civic club dues, effective January 1998. Seniors' rates would stay at \$5 each; dues will double to \$20 per family and \$50 per business. To increase membership and involvement in the civic club, the decision to amend the by-laws to change the vice president of membership to the vice president of welcoming and membership. This will be voted on at the December meeting. Information gathered by this year's officers for welcome packets will be passed on to the 1998 board of directors. Additionally, the civic club has been contacted by the city regarding street parking by decal only; the city will be notified that Garden Oaks is not interested in this.

Committee Reports

Traffic. Rod Walker discussed the Section 1A traffic plan which has been progressing through city council over the last two to three years. Durham and 30th Street will be exit only onto Durham. Randall Street at 34th will be closed to general traffic with emergency access available. Temporary devices are expected to go up in January for 90 to 120 days. After a traffic study, permanent traffic control devices will follow.

Treasurer. Ray Housley had the 1997 budget available as a handout and was discussed. The civic club ends the year with approximately \$13,422 in the account.

Beautification. The Terry Jeanes challenge has received \$335 toward its goal of \$500. The volunteer work day on the Garden Oaks Boulevard was a resounding success! No further action will be required except mulching and watering until sometime early next year, probably February. At that time, groundcovers and bulbs will be planted. Treeseach Farms was the source for the trees and shrubs planted on the esplanade. A presentation by Treeseach Farms will follow the business part of tonight's meeting. Ed & Brenda de Alba displayed the Houston Proud Partners award given by the mayor's office for the esplanade project.

Citizens on Patrol. Carl Waters announced three crimes were reported in September, all burglaries of vehicles. If you have problems with street lights not working or with lighting of any other public area, please contact Cindy Conti, HLP, at (713) 207-1111 (O) or (713) 687-2261 (P). Dennis and Cathy Spars honored as the November patrollers of the month.

Education. Ann Spiering asked anyone with information on any area school, elementary to high school, to contact her at (713) 862-6138. The *Gazette* prints letters from principals and pertinent school information.

Garden Club. Next meeting scheduled for November 13, 855 W. 34th.

New Business

There was discussion on the board decision to raise dues. It was decided that the 1997 rates will apply to all residents paying 1998 dues prior to January. Any payment received after January 1, 1998 would be at the increased rate.

Annual Garden Club Christmas Dinner

Thursday

December 11, 1997

858 LaMonte

6:30 p.m.

RSVP: 694-5934

Kudos to Deputy Constable Ana de la Fuente-Herrera!

Ana de la Fuente-Herrera, the deputy constable for Section I & IA, follows the official guidelines of her patrolling responsibilities to the letter. But are you aware of some of the other benefits she unofficially provides?

Check out what Ana quietly has been doing for our residents:

- ✓ Volunteered to change her hours to be on patrol Halloween night. That night at 9 p.m. she firmly reminded people still on the streets that the festivities were over and they should go home.
- ✓ Picked up a wandering dog in the neighborhood who was obviously someone's pet, drove him around trying to find his owner, fed him and arranged housing for the night. The next day she was able to reunite the roving canine with his worried owner.
- ✓ Arranged for a home safety inspection through the constable's office which will reduce the homeowner's insurance rates.
- ✓ Escorted a middle school student from her school bus stop to her house and made sure the child was safely inside.
- ✓ Helped one resident recover some money lost in a home remodeling scam.

These extra services are provided each week Ana is in Garden Oaks. If you are not a current subscriber to the Constable Program, perhaps you will reconsider. Ana makes life safer for adults, children and pets in Garden Oaks!

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New Construction
Custom Remodeling
Renovations
Lots/Build-to-Suit

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- 818 W. 41st St.
- 862 W. 41st St.
- 717 W. 42nd St.
- 718 W. 42nd St.
- 847 W. 42nd St.
- 701 Garden Oaks Blvd.
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Volunteers Plant Year Round Color on Esplanade

by Brenda de Alba, Beautification Committee

I can't say enough thank you's to the more than 30 volunteers who joined together and, in less than four hours, planted 72 trees and 57 shrubs on Garden Oaks Boulevard on October 18! We added 20 different species of trees and nine types of shrubs which will fill the esplanade with year round color. For those who were unable to attend Heidi Sheesley's slide presentation at the November civic club meeting, I have information sheets about the trees and shrubs.

I want to give a special thanks to Keiji Asakura for providing his creative genius in the design of our project and the placement of the plantings. I also want to thank Gary Harmon for making it possible for us to completely replace the old sprinkler system. Gary designed and helped with the new installation. Because of his donated time and contacts, we saved many dollars on the overall cost of the irrigation system.

Our beautification project is approximately 75 percent complete. Still to come is a spring planting of ground covers and perennial flowers. We will install a Garden Oaks sign near Shepherd and will place several benches along the path. This activity will begin again in the early spring as we intend to take a needed winter's rest.

Don't forget the Terry Jeanes \$500 Beautification Challenge! We have received \$335 so far towards the challenge. If you'd like to contribute, please mail a check (made out to the Garden Oaks Civic Club) to Brenda de Alba, 858 LaMonte, 77018.

Thanks to the following neighbors for their recent donations to the project and to the challenge:

- Section 1: • Katherine Hardin donated a tree in memory of her husband, H. P. Hardin.
- Section 2: • Shana and Jay Tatum made a donation.
• Elaine and Michael Maniha made a donation in memory of Mike A. Maniha and John Karbali.
- Section 3: • Cecilia Ohnemus and Keith Zimmerman made a donation.
• Meredith and Jeff Jenkins donated to the Terry Jeanes' challenge in memory of Essie Nash & L.C. Thomas.
- Section 5: • Kathleen and Philip Naff donated three shrubs in memory of Winston E. Barton, one of their dear neighbors.

Cleanup day in the Art Park at Sue Barnett and 43rd St. is scheduled for Saturday, December 6 at 9 a.m. (See the enclosed flyer!)

A great Christmas gift idea: a memorial to a loved one!



Mail to: Brenda de Alba, 858 LaMonte, Houston, TX 77018

Donate a tree or shrub for the Esplanade Project!

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

Check one: Tree \$50 () Number = ____ Shrub \$10 () Number = ____

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Gardens Oaks Boulevard Esplanade Project
 Saturday, October 18, 1997



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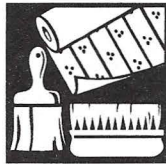
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Civic Club Impacts the Garden Oaks Community

by Craig Lee, Vice President, Membership

The Garden Oaks Civic Club meets the first Tuesday of each month. Membership is voluntary, but voting on civic club issues requires joining. The good news is that joining is cheap. The bad news is that it's going to get more expensive next year--but not by much.

The civic club functions like a property owners association but with a broader mandate. It's the Garden Oaks community's voice in matters affecting us. The civic club has worked with willing neighbors to improve parks and streets, using both public and private funding. It has also provided educational assistance locally. The civic club also helped to build gazebos and address concerns like the Exxon construction and the construction of a sound barrier along 610.

The civic club is your first stop to implement changes in the deed restrictions. The civic club provides actual funding for many projects and causes in and near the neighborhood. Projects and programs included in this year's budget have included:

- * Revitalization and beautification of the GO Boulevard esplanade.
- * Donations to local schools.
- * Repairing and repainting of the neighborhood's four entrance signs.
- * Various projects by the Garden Club.
- * GO-COP.
- * Recycling.
- * Costs of meetings.
- * And this, the *Gazette*.

The civic club would like to fund many other projects, including adding neighborhood security programs to supplement the already overextended, but highly effective GO-COP and constable's patrol programs. The club also would like to pay for maintaining public green spaces in the neighborhood--rather than rely on the city's spotty and less than stellar maintenance program--and other things to make this neighborhood even more attractive.

Money for these projects comes from hard-working volunteers at fund-raising projects, like the highly successful Home and Garden Tour last spring, and from your thoughtful support through your civic club membership. So please join or renew your membership.

On January 1, 1998, dues will increase to \$20 per year per household and \$50 per year per business member. Senior citizen dues will remain at \$5 per household. If you pay before January 1, 1998, you can join or renew at the present rate. Fill out the form inserted into this *Gazette*, make out a check to the Garden Oaks Civic Club, and mail it today for your 1998 civic club dues.

Dear Garden Oaks,

Thanks for putting up with our buzz saws and hammering in the early mornings and late nights. We are glad to be a part of the renovating of these fine homes. We hope to see you this next year. And we wish you a safe, prosperous and Fine New Year!

Thanks for the opportunity!
Harry James

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Home & Garden Tour Committee Seeks Homes for 1998 Tour

The 1998 Home & Garden Tour Committee has begun selections, and anticipates announcing selected homes and gardens in the January issue of the *Gazette*. Final selections will be made by Christmas, and candidates are being accepted. If you'd like to nominate a home or garden, contact Judi Morawski at (713) 956-8911 by December 15.

The committee welcomes the following new members: Meredith Jenkins, Walt Tarpley; Tina Sabuco, Tom Stell, and Abbie Watkins. Abbie will handle publicity. Returning members include Judi Morawski, Chairman; Laura Morgan Co-Chair; Sheila Briones; Brenda de Alba; Kerri Epstein; Terry Jeanes; Susan Kostelecky; Tina Rowe; and Shana Tatum.

There will be NO meeting in December. Next meeting is January 14, 7 p.m., 907 W. 42nd. Many volunteers are needed to make this

event successful.

The committee is also seeking a volunteer for the Treasurer's position. The treasurer tracks expenses and revenues and also serves as a contact person between the civic club and tour committee. Call Judi Morawski if you'd like to help or for additional information.

Many Thanks

We want to thank the residents of Garde Oaks for being such wonderful neighbors and friends to us for 38 year. The area provided a safe haven for raising our children, Philip and Lesli, and we will all look back with fondness and gratitude to those years spent in Gardent Oaks.

Our new home is completed, except for those odds and ends that seem to take forever, and we have moved in. We hope that our many Garden Oaks friends will venture out Highway 30 to Timberwilde and pay us a visit.

Bill & Jinny Chastain

Civic Club Minutes *continued from page 3*

Sidewalks on West 43rd. The addition of sidewalks along W. 43rd was discussed. The understanding of the community is that the city will be responsible for any relocation of lights or pipes which would be required by the addition of sidewalks in the easement. Any comments or concern should be addressed to George Bravenec, City of Houston, (713) 754-9840 (phone) or (713) 754-9870 (fax), as soon as possible. A vote passed for support of sidewalks along W. 43rd.

Nominating Committee. Terry Jeanes, Ed de Alba and Tom Stell presented a full slate of candidates for the 1998 civic club officers. They are: President - Craig Lee; VP, Membership - Tom Stell; VP, *Gazette* - Meredith Jenkins; Secretary - Ann Spiering; Treasurer - Shelly Immel. A motion was passed to table this slate until the December meeting. Elections for officers will take place at that time.

December Meeting. The December meeting is a potluck party for all. Residents are asked to bring vegetables, fruits, salads or desserts. Rick Englert will cook the main course as in years past. New officers will be elected and a vote on the change in title of the VP, Membership will be taken. Remember - the civic club meetings move to Garden Oaks Elementary in December!!

"GO Caroling." Tina Sabuco and three other members of GO Caroling sang about the December 12 night of caroling to benefit two pediatric AIDS charities. Any interested volunteers, please contact Tina.

Presentation. Heidi Sheesley from Treeseach Farms gave a slide shown and talk about the trees and shrubs planted in the esplanade of Garden Oaks Boulevard. Handouts on the different plants were available.

Refreshments provided by Terry Jeanes. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

In Sympathy

The officers of the Garden Oaks Civic Club joins many others in expressing their sincere sympathy to Ms. Daniels, principal of Garden Oaks Elementary School, for the recent loss of her husband. Our thoughts are with Ms. Daniels and her family.

GARDEN OAKS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday Services:

Bible Study - 9:45 am
Worship Services - 11 am & 5 pm
AWANA - 6 pm
Home Fellowship Groups - 6 pm
Wednesday Devotional - 6:30 pm

Mother's Day Out & Preschool:

9 am to 2 pm, Tues. & Thurs.
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Sunday School: 9:15 am

Preschool: Mon-Fri 9 am-2 pm

Mother's Day Out: Wed-Fri 9am-2 pm
(ages 3 months - 5 years)

Parent's Night Out: Fri 6:30-11 pm

Senior Adult Exercise:

M-Tu-Th 4:15-5 pm

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MASSES

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Feel free to post on refrigerator or in a conspicuous place!

December 1997

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Civic Club Mtg./ Christmas Party 7 p.m. Garden Oaks Elementary	3	4	5	6 Art Park Work Day 9 a.m. <i>Gazette Deadline</i>
7	8	9	10	11 Annual Garden Club Christmas Dinner 858 LaMonte 6:30 p.m. RSVP 694-5934  Curbside Recycling	12 GO Caroling Festival 6-9 p.m. St. Matthew's	13
14	15	16 Heavy Trash Pick-up	17	18 PIP Meeting St. Rose Christmas Concert	19	20
21	22	23	24 Hanukkah 	25 Christmas 	26 Automated Trash Collection 	27
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve 			

School Holiday Breaks

- St. Rose of Lima-December 22, 1997 - January 2, 1998
- Garden Oaks Elementary-December 19, 1997 - January 2, 1998 & January 5, 1998-HISD Staff Development Day

**Happy
Holidays!**

1997 Garden Oaks Civic Club
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Art Park

WORK DAY

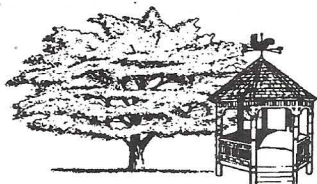


Saturday, December 6, 1997
9 a.m.

(Art Park is located at Sue Barnett & W. 43rd)

The flower beds need weeding & some TLC!
Come with your gardening tools (*labeled with your name*),
gloves, water, and sunscreen.

Call Brenda or Ed de Alba for more information at 694-5934!!



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Household \$10\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ Senior Citizen \$5 \_\_\_\_\_ Business \$25\*\* \_\_\_\_\_

(Pay by December 31, 1997 to take advantage of present rates. See NOTE below.)

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**\*\* NOTE: Dues increase on January 1, 1998 to: Households \$20/year & Businesses \$50/year. Seniors stay the same.**

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