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The newsletter of the Garden Oaks Civic Club

The 4th of July Bike Parade is Back!

We are excited to announce the return of the annual 4th of July Bike Parade. To celebrate the 4th, get your best red, white, and blue decor and jazz up your bike, wagon, stroller, or scooter (non-motorized) for a ride with your neighbors.

The parade will be taking place Saturday July 3rd and will start at the Spark Park on Sue Barnett (Garden Oaks Montessori). Line up begins at 8:30, and the parade begins at 9:00 am. The parade will weave through 41st and 42nd between Sue Barnett and Alba, and will end back at the Spark Park. There will also be a shorter route for smaller riders. Drinks and snacks will be provided.

Anyone is welcome to participate in the festivities as either a rider or a spectator! We look forward to the return of this tradition. Thank you to Matthew and Pamela Bell for coordinating this event.

Garden Oaks Civic Club Meeting (Virtual)

Tuesday, July 6, 7 pm
Meeting ID: 853 8370 1841
Passcode: 505892

Speaker: State Representative Penny Shaw with a legislative update

Fourth of July Bike Parade

Saturday, July 3
Line up: 8:30 am
Parade: 9 am



Gazette Staff Needed

(See the May 2021 issue for full details)

We are still searching for a new Gazette editor and delivery coordinator. If you are interested in either position, please contact gazette@gardenoaks.org.

Garden Oaks Civic Club Business Members

Welcome to the following neighbors and neighborhood businesses who joined our new Business Membership Program. Thanks for your support!

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1. **MS Word or text document as an attachment** (not the body of the email), left justified, no headers or footers. Keep formatting to a minimum.
2. **Photos need to be sent separately.** You may embed photos to show where they go with the article but separate full size and resolution photos must also be provided outside of the document.
3. **Articles should be titled.** These can be as simple as the name of the committee or event, but a concise title should be provided for other articles.

Constable Program

Terry Jeanes, Program Chair

Have you supported the Constable Program in 2021 yet?

We need you! You can pay online at gardenoaks.org or mail in the form in this newsletter. Payment of at least \$250 per household will get you a GO Constable Supporter sign.

As we go to press, we finally broke 300!! We currently have 312 Constable Supporters at the \$250 level and above, and we are targeting 400. **If you need a new sign or a 2021 sticker, email constable@gardenoaks.org.**

Reminder: The Constable Program is paid only by residents' contributions. **There is no mandatory fee collected.**

Pay your dues today. Why wait until you become a crime victim before contributing?

Become a Constable Program Supporter: gardenoaks.org

Constable Dispatch: 713-755-7628

Sign up for Precinct One Crime Alerts: <http://pct1constable.net/sign-up/crime-alerts/>

Vacation Watch: <http://pct1constable.net/sign-up/vacation-watch/>

Constable Statistics May 2021

Data are provided monthly for the contract with the Harris County Precinct One Constable deputy who patrols Garden Oaks. The number of responses is shown for each category.

Our deputy is following CDC guidelines and social distancing on the street as well as in the office.

- Alarm Call – 3
- Burglary Habitat – 1
- Burglary Motor Vehicle/Other – 1
- Check Park/School/Parking Lot/Neighborhood – 23
- Civil Process – 1
- Contract Check – 187
- Disturbance Loud Noise – 7
- Follow Up – 1
- Indecent Exposure – 1
- Information Call – 1
- In Progress – 1
- Meet the Citizen – 16
- Mental Health Call – 1
- Open Door/Window – 1
- Suspicious Person/Vehicle – 16

- Theft Other/Business/Bicycle – 4
- Traffic Initiative – 1
- Traffic Stop – 16
- Vacation Watch – 33
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- Welfare Check – 1

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Information for Zoned to Garden Oaks Montessori Families Enrollment Information for 2021-2022 School Year

Stephanie DuBroff-Acosta, Parent Engagement Liaison

Do you have a tour?

Although school tours have ended, you can still view the Garden Oaks Virtual Tour presentation at <https://youtu.be/IUPnBEgGfRQ>

Considering your zoned school - Garden Oaks Montessori

We do ask our zoned families to have completed the online application to help us better plan. At this point, the online application is not necessary. Families who applied after January 29 are considered on a first come first served basis as space is very limited. PK students are not considered part of the zone. The process for applying for the PK lottery is below.

Please email Stephanie Acosta at SDUBROFF@houstonisd.org for more information regarding registration for kindergarten through 5th grade.

PreKindergarten - all PK seats are by lottery ONLY. There is no zone for PK.

- PK applicants must be 3 or 4 by September 1 to apply for the PK program
- To select Garden Oaks Montessori, you must select Magnet in the application, not PK Enrollment.
 - Applications were open September 19, 2020 – **April 30, 2021** - Qualified, in-district, TEA Eligible applications and tuition-based applications received by the deadline will be entered into the lottery.
- Rankings could be changed up to April 30, 2021. You must rank the most desired school as 1, descending in order.
- Notification day for all applications was **May 20, 2021**. Applications received after this date will be offered only by space available and in order of submission.
- If you qualify for the non-tuition PK program, you must have uploaded qualifying documentation into the application no later than **May 5, 2021**. (Note, this is after the deadline of submission!)
- Tuition-based applications will be considered after **June 3, 2021**.

Share the Road

Joe Muscara, Editor

If you want an example of how car crazy and misplaced our priorities are as far as cars vs. people and pedestrians, look at any parking lot or parking garage, particularly large ones. Despite the fact that nearly every car that parked in the lot has at least one person who needs to walk to the building, very few lots provide any walkways at all, forcing the pedestrians to share space with the cars. We have to watch out for cars pulling out of spaces and pulling in as well as those driving down the lanes. Most parking lots have a driveway between the parked cars and the building, and often this driveway connects directly to the street, so many of the cars arriving in the lot are taking this driveway to access or exit the lot, forcing us to deal with that amount and speed of traffic. Even worse, some centers don't have a sidewalk along the building so when you do cross the driveway, you're walking between the cars and the building. Sometimes there are crosswalks, speed humps, and stop signs, but these seem to be an afterthought, a band-aid to try to fix a problem created by thinking of cars first.

Here in Garden Oaks, we don't have concrete sidewalks on most of the streets. In general, this can be a nice thing and gives the neighborhood a green and rustic, country feeling. There are wide easements on both sides, but often people don't use these for walking, especially if it has been raining or there are parked cars in the way. I have seen people talk about what pedestrians should do especially when a car approaches, such as walk single file and walk on the left side of the road. While these thoughts are technically not wrong and of course pedestrians and other vulnerable road users should be vigilant and aware of what motor vehicles are doing around them, I think the priority should be given to them over the cars. I'm not saying that pedestrians and such shouldn't make room for cars as they approach, they should. But cars can easily give a wide berth to pedestrians on most of the streets here most of the time, and they only lose a few seconds or a minute if they actually stop and wait for a car to come from the other side so they can pass the pedestrians with plenty of room.

We should be rethinking how we use the roads and who is given priority. For too long we have built roads with little thought to pedestrians and other means of transport and focused on cars. I think too many drivers don't think enough about the others they share they road with, and some actually expect people to get out of their way. Maybe it should be the other way around.




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Heard Under the Oak Tree

Terry Jeanes

Welcome, New Neighbors!

Congratulations on joining our community. We look forward to seeing you at a Civic Club meeting soon.

1070 Lamonte	1079 Lamonte	742 Sue Barnett
1566 Sue Barnett	331 W. 30th	717 W. 30th
726 W. 30th	208 W. 31st	503 W. 31st
516 W. 31st	706 W. 32nd	324 W. 33rd
520 W. 33rd	814 W. 41st	918 W. 41st
1011 W. 41st	714 W. 42nd	934 W. 43rd
943 W. 43rd		

Happy Birthday

Caroline McLean – 7/1	Claire B. – 7/2
Matthew Knauth – 7/2	Alexander Zugheri – 7/2
Jane E. – 7/3	Mike Heath – 7/5
Alison Tucker – 7/10	Kaplan Martinez – 7/12
Jenny Espeseth – 7/17	Mary Sharon Komarek – 7/18
Deanna Zugheri – 7/23	Barbara Smith – 7/26
Akira B. – 7/27	Jason Cunningham – 7/27
Sally McDaniel – 7/27	

Happy Anniversary

Jenny and Jason Espeseth – 7/7

Out and About

The Salches were seen in Gulf Shores. **Brooke Murphy and Julie Sherber** along with their kids headed to Dollywood for two days, followed by the Great Smoky Arts and Crafts community, having lunch in the Old Mill Square area, hitting the Moon Shine Distillery, and of course doing the Pirates Show and Dinner Theater, Gatlinburg, & Pigeon Forge. **Gina Greenslate** had a great time in Destin Florida.

Memorial Day weekend fun included **the Sherbers** in Sargent, **the Knauths** in Wimberly, **the Dilleys** at Canyon Lake, **the Theriots** in Louisiana, and **the Taylors** at Lake Amistad. **Lillie E.** celebrated her birthday with a special party at the Houston Zoo.

Congratulations

Reagan S. was awarded the Teachers' Choice Award by her math teacher at Black Middle School, finishing the year with mostly As.

Matthew Mischlich for receiving 2nd Team All-State honors with Strake Jesuit's Water Polo Team which finished in the top 4 at State.

Hannah Tate, who graduated from Vanderbilt University with degrees in Child Development and Medicine, Health, and Society. Her next stop is Washington University School of Medicine for a Doctorate in Occupational Therapy.

To highlight an event, celebration or other tidbit, please submit information no later than the 13th of the month to Terry Jeanes at terry@terryjeanes.com.

Citizen Patrol

Mark Saranie, Program Chair

Happy 4th of July, everyone! I hope you celebrated our nation's 245th birthday in grand style.

Crime-wise, not much happened in our neighborhood last month. This is no reason to let our guard down, especially where thefts from vehicles are concerned. The recent rash of catalytic converter thefts has certainly got my attention. While most of these thefts have been from business lots, apartment parking areas, and vehicles parked on the side of the road, some have been from home driveways. We may feel that our driveways are safe, but they are just as vulnerable. On several occasions I have seen vehicles up on cement blocks or whatever was at hand in the yard. So how do you protect yourself if the driveway is all there is? Motion detecting light fixtures are great if you don't want a burning light all day. The ubiquitous video doorbells are a nice deterrent; just keep the battery charged if you have one that is not hardwired into your electrical system. In any event, an ounce of prevention works.

We are always in need of volunteers, especially now as our numbers have dwindled. If interested, send me an email at gocop@gardenoaks.org and I will connect you to the officer who manages the Citizen Patrol program. To qualify, you must reside in Garden Oaks, be at least 18 years old and pass a background check.

April crime stats

4/13, 3 am, 900 block Lamonte – theft from vehicle
4/18, 6 pm, 200 block W. 30th – theft from vehicle

May crime stats

None.

Reported patrol hours for May – 8

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Garden Oaks Civic Club Meeting Minutes

Beth Jackson, Secretary

June 1, 2021 via Zoom online application

The June virtual GOCC meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by President Tonya Knauth.

The May 2021 meeting minutes were approved as submitted

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Paul Vincent posted the income and expense report on screen through May 31, 2021. Total account balances are just under \$195K. Our income to date is on track with our previous year's revenue and our budget. Spending, year-to-date, looks very good through the first 5 months. The Constable Fund budget and YTD spending are very close, so overall, the finances look very good. We are carrying a \$30K budgeted income item associated with the annual wine-walk fundraiser, so we will need to decide if we keep that in our budget or cut it depending on plans to hold this event in the fall.

Full financial reports are available by contacting treasurer@gardenoaks.org.

Committee Reports

Constable Program: Contact constable@gardenoaks.org if interested in volunteering. Deputy Nowling reported one auto theft in the area, and he does have video and a lead on the suspect. The homeless individual near 30th Street in Section 1 is becoming more aggressive, perhaps a response to residents not being as generous. Harassing people warrants a report to the Constable patrol.

Deputy Nowling also spoke to golf carts in Garden Oaks. The CoH doesn't have any specific regulations and is not enforcing anything related to residential golf carts. However, Harris County does have rules and regulations, so there is a path to enforcement.

The Deputy is patrolling neighborhood school zones after reports of speeding during school hours.

Terry reported that the Constable Program finally has surpassed 300 supporters! As of the end of May, we had 311 constable program contributors, which amounts to just under \$85K for the year. Reminder — summer is here — don't forget vacation watch.

Guest Speaker

The evening's guest speaker, Officer James Butterfras from HPD's Differential Response Team, joined the Zoom meeting via telephone to discuss the Citizen Patrol program. These programs are an effective deterrent to those looking to commit crimes in the area. For anyone who wants to volunteer — link on HPD — "keeping houston safe". If you are interested in joining Garden Oaks' Citizen Patrol program, fill out an application, get a criminal background check, and attend training. The next training session is scheduled for July 20th at 6:00 pm.

With no questions for Officer Butterfras, Tonya moved back to committee reports, beginning with the GO CP program.

GO Citizen Patrol: Mark Saranie was absent, so Tonya shared his written report. Volunteers are always needed.

Beautification: Pam Parks reported that two park captain spots, those for the Durham berm and Gazebo Park, have been filled. Over the past two years, generous residents have contributed about \$7,000 for beautification. Beautification dollars are earmarked for specific parks, so money doesn't always match up to specific projects as needed.

GardenOaks.org: No significant additions or changes to the website.

Membership: Dian Austin reported paid GOCC memberships are up to 272. The latest Business Member is Mosquito Authority, and we are up to 16 business members. Thank you to our existing business members in attendance tonight.

We will continue to solicit donations for raffle drawings each month: \$25 gift cards for food, drinks, and home improvement are very popular. If you have a gift card you would like to donate, please contact membership@gardenoaks.com.

The evening's drawing for a \$25 gift card to Whataburger goes to Lori Kennedy (donated by resident Jennifer Osowski).

Gazette: Joe Muscara reminded attendees of the June 15 deadline for the July *Gazette*. We are still looking for new editor and a new delivery coordinator.

Social Media: We have 130 followers on Instagram, which is a small but growing following. John is working on a program for GOCC Business Members to use the GO Instagram to advertise their businesses.

Government Affairs/CIP: The Texas legislature wrapped up its 2021 session. SB 30, relating to removal of racial restrictions in deed restrictions, did pass, and the Governor is expected to sign it. There is still uncertainty as to what it means. SB 30 purports to create a process by which homeowners can get racially discriminatory language eliminated for their specific property, but it is unclear how that applies to the neighborhood's deed restrictions overall. We will report back in July when more information becomes available.

There is no news on the Capital Improvement Project for the Golf Street storm water project, which is still set to begin in fall 2021. GOCC has had no response to our Modification Application for the Sue Barnett sidewalk project.

Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet School

Tonya introduced the new principal at Garden Oaks Montessori Magnet School, Amanda Sebba. Please read the May *Gazette* article where Ms. Sebba introduced herself.

Old Business

No old business was brought up.

New Business

Chris Lindsay mentioned that FEMA has proposed a new way of calculating flood insurance premiums. Rates will be changing and assessed more on an actuarial process per property, not on flood maps. The new calculations should go into effect on October 1st.

<https://www.fema.gov/flood-insurance/work-with-nfip/risk-rating>

And finally, Stephanie Acosta joined the GOCC meeting representing GOMM. She provided updates on K - 5th grade spots. There are currently only eight Kindergarten seats left for the upcoming school year, reserved for zoned students. Parents should contact Stephanie ASAP to secure a seat if you have not done so already.

The last day of school this year is June 11th. 63% of students are on campus now. Summer school runs through July 16th on campus this year.

Tonya noted that we will host a July 4th bicycle parade. Pamela Bell is coordinating — look for details in the July *Gazette*.

The next general meeting via Zoom will be held on Tuesday, July 6th. State Representative Penny Shaw will give a legislative update to catch us up on everything that happened during the session that just ended.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Get Online!

The following online locations are where you can find information about Garden Oaks and your neighbors.

<http://nextdoor.com> (requires registration and verification of address. You will be added to Garden Oaks when verified)

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What Can I Drink Besides Water?

Erin Thole, CNHP

I get asked this question a lot: "What can I drink besides water?" Although pure clean water should be most of your fluid intake (you should drink half your body weight in ounces a day), sometimes it can get a little boring and you want a little flavor, a little treat, something fun!

So here are my top non-water beverage favorites, including my adult beverage of choice for those times when you just want to have a drink.

I stay clear of artificial flavors and sweeteners. I also avoid erythritol which is a sugar alcohol that can cause GI issues for many people.

Zevia Drinks

Stevia sweetened goodness. They make everything from soda to energy drinks to organic chilled teas. I love this brand. They do use natural flavors, which does spur some controversy to those of us who are purists. But in the name of sanity, I'm giving us all a pass on this one. We all need a treat from time to time and there are far worse things in the world. So give yourself a break already.... Unless you know you have a negative reaction to natural flavors.

Herbal Teas

When choosing herbal teas, make sure that they are organic, and if they come in bags, that they are not bleached, chemical filled bags. Loose tea is always a good choice if you can't find a quality bagged tea, and it's often cheaper. You can then put it in a French press and steep it that way or in a stainless steel tea steeper.

Frontier is a great brand for bulk, organic loose tea. Traditional Medicinals is a great brand from organic bagged tea.

My favorite herbal teas:

Peppermint = wakes you up and also provides benefits for digestion and your gall bladder. This is great for bloat and gas.

Ginger tea = for nausea and digestion.

Ginger Tea + dandelion tea + lemon wedge = a happy liver and happy guts.

Ginger and Turmeric Tea = anti inflammatory aid.

Matcha

Matcha is a Japanese powdered green tea. It has a really high ORAC value, actually one of the highest in the super-food realm, at about 1348 units per gram. The ORAC value measures the antioxidant values of foods. Matcha tea is higher than berries!

It does contain caffeine but it also contains amino acids, so the caffeine effect is not as severe on the systems of the body, like the adrenal glands that typically get beat up by caffeine. The amino acids keep you from having a caffeine crash in the afternoon.

Like with herbal tea, I would choose loose and organic. It's a powder, so it's not like other teas. It will dissolve in the water. You just have to stir a little.

Go for the unsweetened varieties or sweetened with stevia.

Deep Eddy's Ruby Red Vodka + La Croix

Sometimes you just want an adult beverage. I am not a wine fan. Too much sugar and yeast = unhappy guts, and you would have to drink way too much of it to actually gain any benefit from the resveratrol it contains... and then your efforts would be thwarted by the larger amount of alcohol you just consumed and your new liver damage.

I like Deep Eddy's Vodka because it is all gluten free. The Ruby Red is my favorite. I mix 1 shot of Deep Eddy's Ruby Red Vodka with ice and some lemon La Croix water in a low ball glass. If I am out at a restaurant and they don't have La Croix, I will go for Topo Chico. It's light, it's refreshing, it's delicious.

Cheers to your health!

Erin Thole, CNHP has been working in Functional Medicine for over 12 years. To learn more and request a free consultation: www.erinthole.com - thole.erin@gmail.com



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The freon level is down. Freon is the gas contained within the A/C system that removes heat from inside your home and carries it to the condenser (the outside unit) where it's released into the atmosphere. A sufficient level of freon is essential for your system to function properly. If there's a leak within the closed system that contains the freon, your system can't remove the heat from the indoor air and the temperature will slowly rise. Call your A/C service technician.

The evaporator coil is clogged. Your system blows air over the evaporator coil in the attic, so heat from your home's air is absorbed and carried outside. If these coils get dirty, they won't be able to transfer heat effectively. Replacing your air filter regularly is so important to prevent dirt buildup. A dirty evaporator coil is best cleaned professionally by your service technician.

The evaporator coil is frozen. A frozen evaporator coil makes it virtually impossible for your system to remove heat from within your home. Again, call your service technician so he can diagnose a frozen coil and remedy the problem.

Something within the A/C system is broken. Mechanical issues such as a faulty capacitor or defunct fan motor can occur for a number of reasons and halt the cooling process. These issues are best diagnosed by a professional.

Proper maintenance is the key. You can avoid these problems altogether by replacing your air filter on a regular basis and having a maintenance check-up performed each Spring and Fall.

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(January – December)**

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Civic Club:

\$ _____ **Basic Membership \$40** (\$20 for seniors 65+)

\$ _____ **Community Household Membership \$100**

Constable Program:

\$ _____ **Annual Constable Supporter (\$250, w/yard signage)**

\$ _____ **Additional Constable Program contribution**

Other:

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\$ _____ **Contribution to Garden Club** (maintain Friendship Park, Section 1)

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Mickey's Minute

Mickey Morales

Forgive me if I used this same subject this time last July. However, if I did, I still feel we have even more reason this year to celebrate our independence once again. After over a year of a self-imposed lockdown, life has more or less returned to normal. As a matter of fact my old stomping grounds, Sassafra, has just announced that you can belly up to the bar once again.

Of course for Farmer Cathy and myself, life pretty much stayed the same, mostly due to our status as essential food providers. We were both fortunate to come through unscathed. I figure we owe it to plenty of fresh air, sunshine, and the fact we both practiced social distancing. Cathy is a farmer after all, a relatively lonely occupation, unless you count a passel of chickens, a few goats, and a pack of farm dogs and cats as company. And I, on the other hand, am actually a hermit in possession of mad cooking and social skills.

However, the market's cast of characters has turned over a time or two during these trying times and we've been

whittled down to just us chickens. We wish to thank all who have come and gone. And a special thanks to all of y'all, our loyal customers, who have kept our little enterprise going during these trying times. With a little luck we'll see the return of a few vendors as the summer drags on and certainly when fall arrives.

As always, "Come soon, come often, and celebrate our freedom."

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