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Garden Oaks *Gazette*

The newsletter of the Garden Oaks Civic Club

The 4th of July Bike Parade

Pamela and Matt Bell

We are looking forward to the return of the annual Fourth of July Bike Parade. This year's parade will take place on Tuesday July 4th at 9 AM.

All neighbors are invited to come out and show their spirit by decorating their bikes, scooters, wagons, and other non-motorized vehicles in festive red, white, and blue!

Lineup will start at 8:30 AM along Sue Barnett by the Spark Park. The parade will follow the historical route starting at the Spark Park, going north on Sue Barnett, west down 42nd St., south on Alba, east on 41st St., and returning to the Spark Park.

Snacks and drinks will be available at the end.



Notices

Tuesday, July 4,

Bicycle Parade 9 am,
starting at GOMM Spark Park.

GOCC Meetings:

Tuesday, July 4th

No GOCC meeting. Enjoy the 4th celebrations with family and friends.

Tuesday, Aug. 1st

GOCC Meeting
7:00 PM
Great Heights Brewing

American Legion Park Revitalization Update

Andrea Michalski Rafiei

The Friends of American Legion Park are 87% of the way to their goal to fund the Master Plan and would like to thank the Garden Oaks Civic Club for their generous donation.

Once we reach our \$35,000 goal to fund the Masterplan, Friends of ALP will collaborate with the Houston Parks and Recreation Department and Councilmember Abbie Kamin's office to gather feedback from the community on goals for the Revitalization Project. We'll send out notices of these future meetings, so we can bring together the spectrum of park users and collect their input. If you are interested in donating, please do so using the QR scan code:



ALP Revitalization

2023 Garden Oaks Civic Club CommUnity Partners

Thank you to the following neighbors and neighborhood businesses who are supporting our CommUnity Partnership Program for 2023.

If you/your business is interested in joining our annual program, please email membership@gardenoaks.org.

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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 the event, but a concise title should be provided for all other articles.

Mickey's Minute

Mickey Morales

Happy days! As I posted last month, on Flag Day my mother turned ninety-one years young. Her continuing recovery is nothing short of a miracle. I'm not trying to get ahead of myself and the outcome will still be the same, but there's something to be said about quality of life, and hers seems to be pretty good these days.

In market news, I've finally contacted my Indian food pals and by the time you read this, they should have already joined our merry band at the market. The great thing about them is you get the best of all the food worlds, bread aka naan, vegan, vegetarian, and chicken dishes. Of course, Sophia just finished her junior year, so we'll still have her and all the goodness she can conjure up around for another year or so.

Farmer Cathy continues to bring all manner of sustainable veggies and free-range eggs to the market through her hard and tireless work. And now with a little extra effort

she has loads of canned goods including my all-time summer favorite, fig jam and preserves. Come and get it while it's hot or I'll buy it all myself.

All things considered, life is going pretty well, both privately and professionally. I've had more catering jobs in these past few months than ever before. And I may be able to find some time soon to restock Mickey's Pint Size Pantry.

As always, "Come soon, come often and support your local market."

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North Shepherd District Clean Up Day

Betty Heacker, President, North Shepherd

The North Shepherd District Clean-up was a great success! So much was accomplished by so many great people on quite a hot day in a short period of time.

I first want to thank Pamela Parks for her organization of this event. Pam did a great job with a hard task, and she has my gratitude. I also want to thank Council Member Abbie Kamin's office for sending a representative to help. There are also two churches I wish to recognize: Arise Baptist Church and St. Matthew's United Methodist Church. Thank you for your significant contributions to this effort. Garden Oaks Civic Club and Shepherd Park Plaza Civic Association also stand out for having representation at this event.

To ALL of you, this event would not have enjoyed the success it did without your efforts, so thank you for making our District shine even brighter



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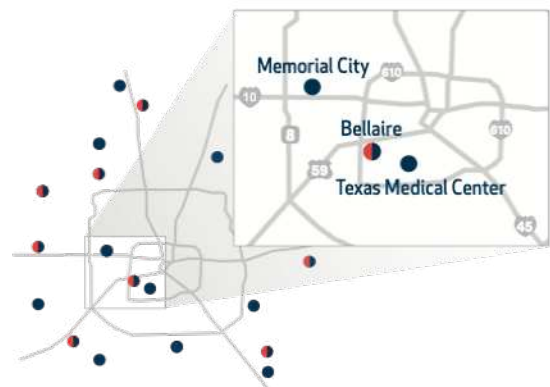


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Constable Program

Terry Jeanes, Program Chair M'lissa & Craig Dilley –Vice Chairs

Update on Patrol Deputy Jessica Clark, preemie daughter Ruby, and dad Matt Schoelles, Border Patrol Agent: Baby Ruby left NICU after 196 days to head home with Deputy Jessica and Dad Matt who has his temporary assignment in Kingsville Texas. If you wish to provide a gift card, they can be sent direct to Deputy Jessica and family via RiseUp4Ruby@gmail.com. To provide additional funds to help defray mounting costs, email constable@gardenoaks.org.

The Constable Thermometer signs are back in place. Let's Get the **Red to Rise**. Join as a Program Supporter today.

Have you supported the Constable Program yet? We need you! Pay your dues via the mail OR pay online. Payment of at least \$250 per household will get you a GO Constable Supporter sign. That's a mere 65 cents per day!

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Constable Statistics May 2023

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.

Accident, Minor - 1

Alarm Local - 2

Check /Park/School/Neighborhood – 15

Civil Process - 1

Contract Check – 111

Disturbance/Loud Noise – 3

Meet the Citizen – 5

Open Door/Window – 1

Property Found/Lost – 1

Road Rage - 1

Solicitors – 1

Suspicious Person/Vehicle – 11

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Garden Oaks Kids

Sara Mathias, GOKids Admin

GO Kids is excited and proud to add a brand-new event to our line up! On August 18th, GO Kids will host its very first community service focused event, GO Kids Gives Back. At this event, families will work together to assemble lunch and snack packages for the nonprofit, Kids Meals Inc.

This event was born through feedback from our 2022 Member Survey in which families said they were interested in volunteer activities. GO Kids Gives Back provides an opportunity to introduce our kids to community service and experience the benefits of volunteering. The event is meant for the entire family. Younger members will assist in decorating lunch bags with colors and/or stickers while our older kids will assist with packing the bags.

GO Kids Gives Back will be held Friday, August 18th at Wakefield Crowbar from 4:30-7:00pm. Wakefield will host us in their private room and kids will have access to the playground. Social hour will be from 4:30-5:30 and the volunteer activities will begin at 5:30 pm.

GO Kids is extending a special invitation to Garden Oaks neighbors to join us for the event, so even if you are not a GO Kids member, you are welcome!

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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.

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3105 Lawrence
752 West 43rd
1539 Sue Barnett
207 West 32nd
1058 Gardenia

Happy Birthday

Caroline McLean - 1st
Claire B- 2nd
Matthew Knauth - 2nd
Alexander Zugheri - 2nd
Jane E - 3rd
Mike Heath - 5th
Alison Tucker -10th
Kaplan Martinez - 12th
Jenny Espeseth - 17th
Mary Sharon Komarek - 18th
Deanna Zugheri - 23rd
Barbara Smith - 26th
Akira B - 27th
Jason Cunningham - 27th

Happy Anniversary

Jenny and Jason Espeseth – 7th

Congratulations to

Amanda Carlin on her recent retirement from 31 years of teaching Drama/Theatre at Dean Middle School.

New to the Neighborhood?

We are glad you are here!

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Out and About

John and Cindy Bartos ventured to the Pecos Wilderness in the Santa Fe National Forest. The **Odinets** visited Park City and had a rousing party thrown by neighbors and friends as they embark on their next adventure, New Orleans. **Tina Rowe** celebrated a big birthday with a trip to Greece. **Caroline McLean** spent 3 weeks in the UK with family and friends. **Tony and Debbie Padon** headed off for their niece's wedding at a castle outside of Siena, Italy.

Robert and Amanda Carlin enjoyed a celebratory trip to Block Island. **Debbie Driver** had a terrific time in Cabo San Lucas on a mother- daughter trip. **Victor and Deb Seghers** had a great adventure visiting Ephesus Turkey and surrounds.

Special Thoughts to the Bell family in the loss of Pamela's father.

Also to **Linda Sparks** in the loss of her border collie, Sammi.

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Garden Oaks Civic Club Minutes

Dian Austin, Membership Chair

Tuesday, June 6, 2023 @ Great Heights Brewing

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Vice President Kevin David after a half hour of social time. President Tonya Knauth was not in attendance. Kevin recognized Mario Castillo, candidate for City Council District H, and also recognized a staff member from Rep. Penny Morales Shaw's office.

There were several first-time attendees who introduced themselves.

The minutes of the May GOCC meeting were approved. Treasurer Paul Vincent handed out his report and mentioned that GOCC had made donations to both the American Legion Park revitalization effort, and to Waltrip High School.

NEW BUSINESS

Sara Mathias with GO Kids spoke about their upcoming GO Kids Gives Back event, where they will be meeting at Wakefield Crowbar on Friday August 18th to pack 100 kids' meals. This event will be open to all. An Amazon wishlist will be forthcoming if anyone would like to contribute and/or participate. Details will be in the Gazette and on social media.

A motion was made and seconded to suspend the July regular GOCC meeting, as it is currently scheduled for the July 4th holiday. The motion passed. GOCC meetings will resume in August.

OLD BUSINESS

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branding consultant can collect feedback and input as part of the process.

GOCC is looking for a new GOCC Secretary. Please contact president@gardenoaks.org if interested.

The North Shepherd Clean Up Day was very successful, and kudos to Pam Parks for spearheading the efforts.

The evening's raffle winner, Marisa Doherty, won an Amazon gift card donated by GO Section 2 resident Shell Kennedy of Kennedy's A+ Construction. Marisa was a first-time attendee and also was an enthusiastic participant in the North Shepherd Clean Up Day. Congrats!

The July 4th Bike Parade is scheduled for Tuesday July 4th at 9am, starting at the GOMM Spark Park. Details will be in the July Gazette and on social media.

The next GOCC meeting will be Tuesday, August 1, at 7:00 pm at Great Heights Brewing Co.

With no further business, the June meeting of the Garden Oaks Civic Club concluded at 7:56 pm.



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Mitch Weigand

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Setting your A/C's thermostat drastically lower than the temperature you really want will cool your house faster.

FALSE. Your A/C delivers cool air at the same rate no matter how low you place the thermostat. It's like punching the elevator button repeatedly to make it arrive faster.

Opening the registers in all rooms and leaving the interior doors open will circulate cold air throughout the house more efficiently.

FALSE. Closing doors, vents and ductwork to unused rooms makes better and more efficient use of the A/C. Cold air goes where the heat is. If there is a hot unused room, the A/C will work to cool it off. By closing that room off to the rest of the house, your home will stay cooler more efficiently.

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