

## Garden Oaks Civic Club (GOCC)

The Purpose of GOCC is promoting the civic and social welfare of the residents of Garden Oaks, fostering neighborhood unity, and assisting in activities that benefit and promote the residential character of the neighborhood. GOCC is not the property owners' association for Garden Oaks and has no deed restriction enforcement authority.

***During the pandemic, we are meeting virtually via Zoom until it is safe to meet in person. When in-person meetings resume, we will publicize the meeting location. Notice of Zoom meetings is posted on the Houston\_GO Facebook page.***

Membership is open to anyone in the neighborhood, whether you own or rent. Membership is voluntary, but only paid members can vote on Civic Club matters. Membership dues are a primary source for funding neighborhood activities, which are described in the committee descriptions below.

Committees of the Civic Club include:

- Beautification – maintains 5 neighborhood green spaces. The committee schedules workdays throughout the year for maintenance. Lawn mowing and tree trimming are contracted out, paid for by the Civic Club. Contact: [Beautification@gardenoaks.org](mailto:Beautification@gardenoaks.org)
- Constable Patrol – contracts with the Harris County Precinct One Constable for 1 constable patrol currently. The funds are provided entirely by residents. Contact: [constable@gardenoaks.org](mailto:constable@gardenoaks.org)
- Citizen Patrol – helps patrol the neighborhood to provide extra pairs of eyes and ears for crime prevention. Commitment hours can be as many or as few as you wish to volunteer. Specific training must be taken prior to being eligible to patrol. Contact: [Gocop@gardenoaks.org](mailto:Gocop@gardenoaks.org)
- Web/Social Media – maintains our neighborhood website and presence on social media. Contact: [social@gardenoaks.org](mailto:social@gardenoaks.org) or [webmaster@gardenoaks.org](mailto:webmaster@gardenoaks.org)
- Gazette – writes and edits our monthly newsletter, which is hand delivered by volunteers. It is a great source of neighborhood information and is also available online at [www.gardenoaks.org](http://www.gardenoaks.org). Delivery volunteers by block are always needed: [Gazettedelivery@gardenoaks.org](mailto:Gazettedelivery@gardenoaks.org)
- Membership – sends an annual mailout for dues and maintains the roster of paid members. It also maintains and distributes the Welcome Packet to new residents, gives out door prizes at meetings and coordinates “Meet and Greet” socials scheduled throughout the year. Contact: [Membership@gardenoaks.org](mailto:Membership@gardenoaks.org)
- Home and Garden Tour –A huge number of volunteers successfully stages and coordinates our showcase of homes and gardens, presenting our neighborhood to the general public and raising funds for neighborhood activities. Contact: [President@gardenoaks.org](mailto:President@gardenoaks.org)

Other events scheduled throughout the year include the 4th of July Parade, which is a fun family event. The Wine Walk, our annual Constable Program fundraiser featuring wine, beer, and food tasting, is held every October. We hope you will join us at a monthly Civic Club meeting. We'd like to meet you and learn how we can better serve the community.