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A Letter from the President by Julie Cohn

Dear Neighbors,

It is with gratitude to all of you, enthusiasm for the community we have built, and a little bit of trepidation about stepping into Andrea Lapsley's extraordinarily capable and fashionable shoes, that I take on the challenge of chairing Old Braeswood Property Owners Association for this next year.

In 1993, John and I were a young couple with a very small child and a very large dog looking for a new house in a safe neighborhood close to work and close to great schools. We found our spot in Old Braeswood and haven't budged since. We also found children playing in the park, families walking on the streets, and room for a second big dog. We've loved living here for so many reasons! Here are a few: On election day, we walk over to the Brodsky's garage, share our leftover Halloween candy, and catch up on the local news – in addition to exercising our most sacred right to vote. In the spring, we gather around the ice cream cart, watch kiddos race up and down the "hill," meet residents young and old, and celebrate our community. We witness the young street trees – planted over many years by some of you – grow tall and strong. We mourn when a beloved older home has to come down and watch with intense curiosity as a new one goes up. We delight in welcoming new neighbors. We walk and bike to the Village, to the grocery store, to the pharmacy, to nearby banks and restaurants. All of us (including the dogs) have found some of our most important friends in this neighborhood. It would be fun to know what each of you love most about living here!

But now I have to put on my President Cap. Old Braeswood thrives because so many residents contribute time, effort, and funds to accomplish our work. And we need all three. Without membership dues, we cannot afford to hold park parties, welcome new neighbors, prepare newsletters, spray for mosquitos, coordinate with the patrol, pay our part-time association manager, and defend deed restrictions. Without Patrol dues, we cannot continue to fund our contract with S.E.A.L. Security. All of our very small budget is supported with voluntary dues, and over the past two years participation has dropped. PLEASE, please, please, do contribute to our neighborhood's well-being by paying BOTH your membership dues AND your patrol subscription. The sums are very modest, and the rewards are very great.

Let's make 2019 a banner year for Old Braeswood! Watch for opportunities to join your neighbors at social gatherings, participate on committees or attend Garden Club and Book Club meetings, plant and maintain trees, keep our blocks clean, greet our SEAL officers as they patrol our streets, and get out for a stroll or a ride to enjoy the beautiful gardens and homes we all love so much! And please don't forget to send in your annual membership dues along with your patrol subscription renewal! — Julie

2019 OBPOA Executive Committee



Pictured from left to right: front row – John Eldridge (At Large #1), Julie Cohn (President), Andrea Lapsley (Past President). Back row – Joe Manca (2nd Vice President), Kellie Nwokedi (1st Vice President), Paul Sanders (3rd Vice President), Samia Khalil (Secretary). Not pictured: Bill Marchbank (Treasurer) and Jean Boisaubin (At Large #2)

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The house at 7506 South Main won't give its age. Harris County Appraisal District says it was built in 1925, but it doesn't join the *Houston City Directory* until 1939. The first owner is someone equally elusive, William E. Buck, manager of the 400 Club, married to Helen. The Club itself is not in the Directory, but another of Mr. Buck's establishments made the front page of the *Houston Chronicle* in 1947 under the headline *Seven Indicted After Raid Here by Rangers – More Than \$1,100 Cash Seized and Gaming Devices Confiscated* [9/5/1947, Sect. A, p. 1, col. 3-4 and p. 6, col. 4]. Buck, no longer living in Old Braeswood, was named as one of those indicted. Forty others were also placed under arrest and charged with gambling. The *Chronicle* quoted one witness as saying the place served "the best fried chicken and hot biscuits in town."

Following the Bucks in 1940 were more conventional neighbors, Nadine and Aylwin L. Smith, who rented from the Bucks.

Known as Smitty, Mr. Smith was a founder, vice-president and director of Independent Exploration Co., a geophysical exploration company with offices in the Niels Esperson Building. He had previously served as seismic chief for a subsidiary of Amerada Petroleum Company. In Old Braeswood, the Smiths joined many other oil industry families already described in this column, including some who also had offices in Niels Esperson.

In 1942, the Smiths left Old Braeswood to be neighbors with the company president. He lived at 2218 Del Monte.

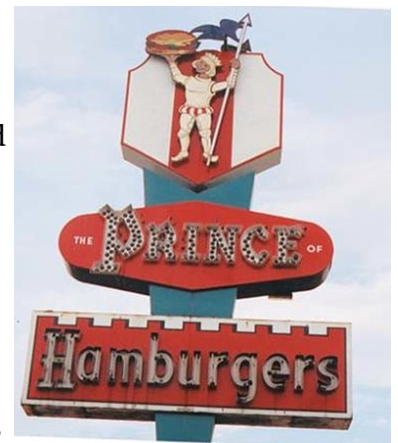
The Smiths bought 3671 Del Monte.

Sale to the next owner of 7506 South Main, Dorothy and George Douglas Prince, Jr., was noted in the business pages of the *Houston Chronicle*. The article, *13 Homes Sold Here for \$137,150 Total* [8/24/1941, Sect. C, p. 7, col. 3-4] gave the purchase price as \$12,500. It quoted Mr. Prince as saying "he had long held an option to purchase the house but had just closed the deal."

The Prince's moved to Old Braeswood from Southgate and were famous to Houstonians. If the name "Prince" is not familiar, then how about coupling it with the word "hamburgers?" As in, "Prince's Famous Hamburger & Barbecue Stand!" Imagine Houston in summer without air conditioning. People at drive-in restaurants. Eating in cars with the windows down. Carhops wearing short skirts, white boots and major-ette hats!

George Prince discovered his first hamburger at the State Fair of Texas in the early 1920s. It's hard to believe, but most people at that time had not yet encountered a hamburger. He moved to Houston and bought the

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Weber's Root Beer stand at 4509 South Main St. in 1934, transforming it into Houston's first Prince's drive-in restaurant. Eventually, Prince's became a Houston institution with 20 locations. In 1955, Elvis Presley himself stopped at a Prince's following a Houston performance. With the advent of air conditioning, summer dining moved indoors, even for a quick hamburger. George died in 1966 and his two sons carried on the business, facing a changing market and increased competition. After 84 years in Houston, Prince's closed its last remaining restaurant, 3425 Ella Blvd., due to flooding from Hurricane Harvey.



years as treasurer of the Houston Chamber of Commerce. He had retired as vice president of Second National Bank in 1943 and gone into oil and cattle businesses.

After his death in 1960, Dovie remained in the house until at least 1964. It was vacant briefly and then in 1967 it was purchased by Joseph P. and Doris Conte.

Joe Conte owned and operated Joe Conte Chevrolet (previously Mike Persia Chevrolet) for over 26 years, with dealerships in Houston and New Orleans. By 1986 the Directory lists him as retired. The Contes had two children, Joe Jr. and Susan. The son is listed at the house in 1990 and is described as owning Conte Investment and Joe Conte Interior.

Following the death of Joe Sr. in 1993, his two children disagreed over a family trust. A nine-year lawsuit ended in 2010, the year of their mother's death, when the First Court of Appeals ruled in favor of Susan. The *Houston Chronicle*, under the headline *Houston heiress wins appeal in fight over trust*, reported that the lawsuit was "one of the most expensive probate cases in recent county history," with court ordered fees of about \$2 M. [9/5/2007, Sect. B, p. 1, col. 3-5 and p. 3, col. 1-2]

It is hard to know who lived in the house for the years immediately following the Conte family, because the *City Directory* lists it simply as "NP," meaning "no

telephone" or "not published." It could have been vacant or it could have been occupied by someone with an unlisted phone number.

By 1999, however, the house was owned by David Ellzey, a realtor. After renovating the home, he lived there briefly and then turned the house over to his mother, Joann P. Ellzey.

The current owners are attorneys Janet Elaine Mortenson and husband, Walter Brooks Morgan Jr. (Brooks). They bought from the Ellzeys in 2000.

The house faces South Main, a street that has seen many changes since 1939, and the people who have lived in the house were very much a part of that history.

[This is the 55th article in a continuing series on houses and people in Old Braeswood. Suggestions for future columns are welcome.]

Garden Club: Scrapbooks & High Tea

Early scrapbooks of the Old Braeswood Garden Club dating back to its founding in 1939 now reside as archival files at the Houston Metropolitan Research Center. They have been digitized on the Center's equipment by Garden Club members GG Hsieh, Vicki Birenbaum, Dee Murray and Susan Teich. To celebrate, HMRC archivist Matt Richardson came to the Club's November meeting, hosted by Alicia vonGreisman, with a slide presentation of some HMRC's holdings including the scrapbooks. Special guest and Honoree was Joy Speck, an early member of the Garden Club. It was Joy Speck who preserved the scrapbooks until they were presented to the Club by her son Dr. Pat Speck. The Club then donated them to HMRC. Her presence at the meeting was a special event in and of itself. Sadly, Mrs. Speck died before publication of this newsletter.

The January meeting was an English High Tea with guest speaker Guy Streatfeild from the shop British Isles in the Village, who is pictured here with GC member Annette Eldridge.



Join us in time to enjoy the April 14 Flower Show and dinner. For details contact Susan Teich, 713-839-7234 or steich1@comcast.net or Maribel Reuter, (713) 668-4366 or maribel.reuter@gmail.com.

As many of you already know, Old Braeswood, along with thousands of other neighborhoods in Texas and across the country, is governed by deed restrictions adopted decades ago. In our case three sets of restrictions, adopted in 1928, 1938, and 1945 – for Sections 1, 2, and 3 respectively – establish rules for the types of development (single family residential), setbacks, building heights, and so forth allowable within our neighborhood. Sadly, in each set, there is language that explicitly limits ownership and occupation of the property only to those of the “white race.” It is anathema to me to even write those words. Fortunately, in 1949, the Supreme Court of the United States ruled that the Equal Protection Clause of the U.S. Constitution prohibits racially restrictive housing covenants and that such covenants are unenforceable in court. Additional state and federal laws have further made these covenants illegal and unenforceable. Nonetheless, the words remain on the pages of our deed restrictions as they are filed with Harris County and as they appear on our website.

Following the success of last year’s deed restriction amendment campaign in section 2 (the very first undertaken in our neighborhood), and with the strong encouragement of many neighbors, Andrea Lapsley appointed an Ad Hoc Deed Restriction Committee (Julie Cohn, Samia Khalil, Christine Manca, Kellie Nwokedi, and Marcella Watkins). This committee met several times, reviewed relevant statutes and reports, consulted with our outside attorney, and considered a number of alternatives for addressing this situation. The committee made three recommendations to the Executive Committee and also presented them to neighbors at the Nov. 12, 2018 Annual Meeting:

- 1) That the Executive Committee adopt a resolution disavowing the race-based covenants.
- 2) That OBPOA undertake an amendment campaign to delete the language from our deed restrictions.
- 3) That OBPOA establish a special fund, to which neighbors may contribute, to help offset the cost of amending the deed restrictions.

Neighbors had an opportunity to share their views both at the membership meeting and for several weeks afterward. The feedback indicated strong support for the Executive Committee resolution and for an amendment campaign, and a mix of opinions regarding the cost of the campaign and the need for a special fund. Taking all input into account, the Ad Hoc Committee made a final presentation to the Executive Committee in December, at which all three recommendations were unanimously approved. As part of the approval, the Executive Committee agreed to undertake the initiatives as soon as possible, to closely watch associated costs, and to set up the fund and make very clear that contributions are completely voluntary, with any amount that exceeds the amendment costs going into the deed restriction enforce-

ment fund. Contributions to this fund will not constitute a charitable contribution and are not tax-deductible.

To get things rolling, the Executive Committee approved the resolution at its first meeting in 2019 (held on January 30th). In addition, neighbors will find ballots to support the amendment enclosed with the newsletter mailing. The Block Captains will meet and plan a strategy for contacting neighbors individually to collect signed ballots from those who have not mailed in their ballots by March 15. Ballots will also be sent electronically. These may be printed, signed, and mailed back to OBPOA. A successful amendment campaign will require 75% of POA members to sign a ballot. While this is an entirely voluntary process, the members of both the Ad Hoc Deed Restriction Committee and the Executive Committee hope that each of you will decide to support this effort and return your ballot as soon as possible.

If you are interested in helping out with the amendment campaign, please contact your Block Captain. A list of captains can be found on our website. If you would like to contribute to the special deed restriction amendment fund, please send a check made out to OBPOA, with “deed restriction fund” in the memo line, to PO Box 541346, Houston TX 77254-1346. As always, questions and comments are welcome and may be addressed to info@OldBraeswood.com.

It is our goal that the future of Old Braeswood includes no race-based covenants, even when unenforceable, in our governing documents. Our long, and in some ways flawed, history will be preserved in the county records, but with the passage of the proposed deed restriction amendments, it will be clear that our contemporary neighborhood will continue to welcome diverse homeowners and residents.

ARC Guidelines Adopted by Paul Sanders

In response to dozens of requests for additional details and consistency in the architectural review process, updated architectural guidelines have been adopted in accordance with the association’s bylaws. The new guidelines were the result of extensive work of the ARC Ad Hoc Committee created in the summer of 2017 to study and suggest improvements to the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) process. The conclusion by the Ad Hoc committee was that more detailed guidelines were needed. The Executive Committee initiated the development of the new architectural guidelines in the Spring of 2018. A public meeting was held in May to gather resident input. After several months of revisions, the new draft of the Guidelines was posted on the website for resident input. Comments and suggestions were incorporated into a final draft that was distributed to all residents for review. The final version was adopted in January and is available on the Restrictions section of the Old Braeswood website.

Real Estate Report *by Dawn Gervais*

For some time, buyers have been taking their time in deciding to purchase a home. There are more properties coming on the market and showings are up 8% over this time last year. For sellers, homes must be in good condition and priced right, as there is a lot of inventory to choose from.

Don't forget it's time for all new homeowners to fill out and file their Homestead Exemption forms—a full 20 % reduction on your current taxes.

Stats for Old Braeswood

<u>Homes for Sale:</u> 10	<u>Lots:</u> 1
Min. List Price \$535,000	
Max. List Price \$2,400,000	
<u>Hms sold since 1/2018:</u> 12	<u>Lots sold:</u> 1
Min. Price \$500,000	
Max. Price \$1,870,000	\$1,240,000
Avg price per sf. \$290.03	\$60.78

(Statistics based on properties listed on MLS and Houston Association of Realtors)



Greenbriar Bridge Over Bayou to be Demolished in February 2019

Members of the Harris County Flood Control District (HCFCD) visited the Old Braeswood POA Board bringing information about what we can expect in regard to the Greenbriar bridge spanning Brays Bayou. It will be demolished in the first quarter of this year and construction of a new bridge will be completed in the first quarter of 2020. So, for 12 months traffic will be rerouted via Main Street, Fannin Street, Kirby Drive and Old Spanish Trail. The new bridge will have 10-foot sidewalks and be raised, widened and lengthened to improve stormwater conveyance. During construction, pedestrian trails will also be rerouted. Construction access will be via Greenbriar Drive, cutting through Old Braeswood and will include dump trucks, excavators and bulldozers. The HCFCD will be posting signs and sending detailed notices to OB residents. Questions can be directed to Project Manager Rusty Lannin, rusty.lannin@hcfcd.org.

Old Braeswood Patrol / SEAL

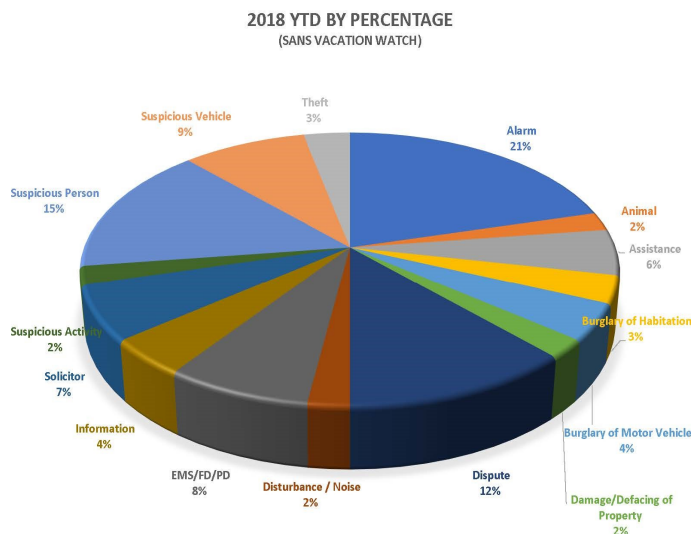
At the November meeting, Major Montgomery updated residents with statistics on SEAL's activity in Old Braeswood during 2018. The numbers of perhaps greatest interest were that house burglaries numbered 3, auto burglaries numbered 4, and instances of property defacement numbered 2.

These low numbers are evidence of SEAL's effectiveness in safeguarding our neighborhood. The number of vacation watches rose to 92 and Captain Montgomery emphasized that greater use of vacation watch translates into lower crime numbers. See below for a list of SEAL services and a pie chart of 2018 activity.

Unfortunately, Patrol Subscriptions were down by nearly 15% over the past two years, threatening the amount of coverage we are able to provide in 2019. Please support this valuable service with payment of your SEAL subscription of only \$300 annually. Instructions for renewing your subscription can be found on the enclosed Membership & Patrol renewal form. You can also visit us online to renew with a credit card through PayPal.

SEAL Security Services for Old Braeswood

- Alarm Response
- GPS Tracking
- 24x7 Emergency Dispatch
- Health & Welfare Checks
- Clearing Residential Homes upon Request
- Issue Criminal Trespass Warnings
- Removal of Trespassing Individuals
- Dispatch Emergency Response Teams
- Respond To Suspicious Activities
- Electronic Reporting System
- Daily and Monthly Incident Reporting
- Off-Duty Emergency Response
- Vacation Watches



Thank You 2018 Members and Patrol Subscribers!

Old Braeswood appreciates the support of the neighbors listed below that pay for our operations and Patrol. Those listed below have contributed toward membership dues and/or the 2018 Patrol Subscription of \$300. See key below for more information.

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Old Braeswood Book Club



In January the Book Club discussed *Love in the Time of Cholera* by Gabriel Garcia Márquez, also a Museum of Fine Arts Book Club choice. Old Braeswood Book Club then met for a lecture tour at MFA preceded by lunch at the ZaZa.

Join Book Club for the March 12 discussion of Andrew Greer's 2018 Pulitzer prize winner in fiction, titled *Less*. For details, contact Krista Heidersbach, krista_rust@yahoo.com or (713) 647-1326.

Welcome New Neighbors

Erin Orzeck & Brian Goldman 2330 Blue Bonnet
Helen & Harris Ghozali 2425 Maroneal
Shawn Groth 2305 Underwood
The R. & S. Hinojosa Family 2506 Underwood

Trash & Recycling Schedule



Recycling Every other Tuesday (B)

Dates Feb. 5 & 19 Apr. 2, 16 & 30
 Mar. 5 & 19 May 14 & 28

Household Trash Tuesdays (in city provided bins)

Yard Waste Tuesdays (in biodegradable bags)

Junk & Tree Limbs 3rd Monday of each month
 Junk Waste (& tree limbs) in Even months
 Tree waste only in Odd months

Recycling or household garbage should be placed at the curb in the city provided automated bins no earlier than 6 p.m. the evening preceding pick up and no later than 7 a.m. the day of pick up. Remove bins no later than 10 p.m. on collection day. Bins left on the street beyond these times are subject to city fines. Please ensure bins are accessible and not blocked by vehicles, etc. [Note: the City no longer accepts glass recycling.]

Yard waste must be contained in city approved biodegradable bags and placed at the curb at least 3' from bins. Tie small branches into 3-4 ft bundles.

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Garden Club Holiday Party

What else in December but a Holiday Party! The Garden Club's annual event is always popular but broke all records this year for attendance with 64 confirmed guests. What a holiday event needs is a welcoming and gorgeously decorated home and that is exactly what hosts Courtney and Fred Steves provided. We are so grateful! Thank you! Thanks also to the team that included Courtney, GG Hsieh, Dee Murray, Maribel Reuter and Susan Teich for arranging food and drink. GG also provided song sheets and a key boardist for the singing of Christmas carols. It was a fun evening!



OBPOA Annual Meeting on November 12, 2018

Paul and Susan Danziger hosted the annual POA Members' Meeting on November 12th at their beautiful home on Blue Bonnet, with Susan providing a delectable buffet of appetizers and desserts. Attendance numbered about 50 residents, an unusually large number that reflected the level of interest in the evening's agenda, reported separately in this newsletter. Many thanks to the Danzigers for their warm hospitality!



Clockwise from top left: Susan & Paul Danziger (hosts); Kellie Nowkedi; Bob Birenbaum, Len Teich, and Bill Murray; Maribel Reuter and Samia Khalil, Christine & Joe Manca; O.B. Neighbor; Incoming president Julie Cohn thanks outgoing president Andrea Lapsley for