

GDCA Board Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2022, Ted and Janet Magee's house, 2225 Oleander St.

In attendance: Ted Magee, Babeth Schlegel, Claire Pittman, Clayton Fields, Chris Mericas, Justin Kozak, John Williams, Kathryn Mount, Willie and Mary Fontenot.

Annual Meeting: 3-27-22 – Leola's Café – Leola's provides snacks. Board arrives 2:30 pm. Attendees mingle at 3:00pm. Meeting begins at 3:30 pm. Mary and another volunteer (Anne?) at sign-in table. John will make a QR Code. Mike Helms knows how to use it. Claire will bring a computer to sign in and pay dues on the website. Speakers: Cpl. Seth Gautier (security), Kimberly Coffey (Oaks), Steve Shurtz (5G cell towers), Councilperson Carolyn Coleman, Rep. Garret Graves. We may have an update on the LSU Lakes. Justin will bring yard signs. Heather Day will bring Live Oak signs.

Crawfish Boil: May 14th, 3-7 pm; set up 2:30; hire police 2-8 pm – location= Oleander St. between 22nd St & Drehr Ave.

Rent a bounce house. Try to get permission to put it in a yard. Rent one Port-a-Pot.

Mary: get petition signed by everyone on the block. Call Red River Bank to ask for their ice cream truck.

Recruit 10 volunteers for sign-in tables. 1 table at each end of the block- 2 people per table, 3-4 & 4-5. 1 table 5-6.

If Ted can't get True Cajun Boilers & Catering, Chris will check at work for crawfish caterers.

Ted will ask Bill Rodman if he would like to cook jambalaya. Chris can ask about buying ingredients. If we need store bought jambalaya, we will get enough to feed about 50 people.

Cost: Meal is free to members and their children under 12 years. \$20 for non-members.

Set up: Ted will ask Mike Myers if he can help pick up tables and chairs at Mid City Redevelopment Alliance. (free) Chris will ask at Catholic High if there are any seniors who are looking for volunteer work to help deliver tables and chairs. Ted can help pick up tables & chairs in the morning.

Easter Egg Hunt: Palm Sunday, April 10, City Park. Ask BREC for permission. Possible alternate venues: the Purgurson's yard & the Maginnis' yard. Kathryn Mount offered to manage the event. The Board voted unanimously to budget \$600 for it.

Claire suggested that we put "Your Dues at Work" stickers on the doggie bag distribution containers because some people think the city provides them. Everyone thought that was a good idea.

Claire has a box of GDCA t-shirts that could be used in new neighbor packets.

Clayton offered to send listings of new neighbors from the real estate list to Michael Helms for the membership list. Claire suggested he speak to Anne because she already pulls from that list for the new neighbor packets.

The **Fall Picnic** will be combined with **Under the Oaks** on Sunday, September 25th.

Beats, Bubbles, Bites (formerly called Champagne Stroll) will be Oct. 30th. (costume is optional)

Announcements: 3-10-22: 1) Terrace Ave. improvement plan open house at Carver Lib. 5:30 pm.

2) Federation of Civic Assoc. Zoom mtg. re: Stormwater Master Plan, Drainage (Fred Raiford) and state legislation impacting HOAs and homeowners. Meeting adjourned 8:35 pm.