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A Publication of the Gifford Park Neighborhood Association

JUNE, 1992

- MEMBERSHIP OF CREIGHTON  
STUDENTS  
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- President:**  
Ron Yates-558-6027
- Vice-President:**  
John Lynch-345-9624
- Treasurer:**  
Mike Caban-341-4722
- Recording Secretary:**  
Judi Caban-341-4722
- Corresponding Secretary:**  
Kathy Rose-341-3955
- Past President:**  
Jim Windorski-341-4695
- Standing Committee Chairs:**
  - Budget & Finance  
Mike Caban-341-4722
  - CDC/Incorporation  
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  - Clean-Up  
Chris Foster-342-6006
  - Courtesy  
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  - Gifford Park Day  
John Lynch-345-9624
  - Membership  
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  - Social Activities  
Kathy Rose-341-3955
  - Neighbor of the Month  
Tom Rose-341-3955
  - Newsletter  
Brian Kokensparger  
558-3834
  - Park  
Jerry Rieger-341-4172
  - Program  
John Lynch-345-9624
  - Tool Lending  
Ed Hendershot-341-0475
  - VIP  
Mike Caban-341-4722
  - Watch Group  
Ron Yates-558-6027
  - Weeds & Litter  
Leo Wilwerding  
345-1433

**NEXT MEETING:**

**JUNE 4**  
**7 p.m.**

**ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL**  
**SEMINAR ROOM**

**Election of Officers**  
**VIP (Volunteer Incentive Program) Presentations**

**FREE PARKING**

NEW MEMBER - JENNETTE MARTIN      BUSINESS - CHARLIE KILGORE  
BUSINESS - ED HENDERSHOT      IN MEMORIAM - LEONARD & KATHY ROSE

This Memorial Day was a particularly sad day for many of us in the Gifford Park area — for that was the day we lost Farol Hendershot. As many of you know, Farol was diagnosed with lung cancer and subsequently endured chemotherapy. She died at home on May 25th, in the early morning hours.

Farol, and her husband, Ed, have been very active in the Neighborhood Association. They were always available to help with garage sales and cleanups, and have attended many monthly meetings. Since Ed and Farol live near the park, they often provided coffee and bathroom facilities for those helping with functions held in the park. In addition, Ed has arranged for the Halloween pumpkins that are given away and has served on several committees.

Farol, age 64, is survived by her husband, Ed; her sons, James (Butch), Tim, and Daniel; her daughter, Cheryl Svendgard; her 12 grandchildren; her mother, Grace Danielson; and her sisters, Alvarine Shrum, Mardell Plunkett, and Beverly Alger. Farol has lived in this area most of her life, attending Yates School and Technical High School.

Farol was always a quiet person with gentle ways and a kind heart. She will be sorely missed.

LEO - 20 - WEEDS      - SIDEWALKS      FAMILY CIRCLE MAG - JIMM DADS  
2023 - LITTER      S'HOWAGON = JUNE 23

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT**

**AT THE JUNE MEETING . . .**

The following individuals have been selected as the proposed slate of officers of the Gifford Park Neighborhood Association after a review of their qualifications per the by-laws, and their acceptance to fill each position for the 1992/1993 year:

- For President Ron Yates
- For Vice-President John Lynch
- For Recording Secretary Judi Caban
- For Treasurer Mike Caban
- For Corresponding Secretary Kathy Rose

Nominating Committee: Mike Caban, Leo Wilwerding, Terry Wilwerding, Kathy Rose, Ed Hendershot

**"THINK BLUE"**

"Think Blue, it's time to renew." If the envelope in which you received this month's issue of the PRIDE has a blue dot, your membership in GPNA is about to expire. During the upcoming year, your membership dues will host a variety of worthwhile community projects. In addition to financing this fine newsletter, sponsoring several seasonal events, and continuing with our award winning Neighborhood Watch Program, new and exciting projects are in the works. Just recently, at our May general meeting, we bought a bicycle for the Omaha Police Department's new Bike Patrol. So join today, give us your ideas to improve this area. Stop by the first Thursday of every month at St. Joseph's Hospital, kick your shoes off, have a cup of coffee, and know, deep down, that YOU ARE making a great difference in this neighborhood. Remember, that your ideas are only limited by your imagination, hard work, and dedication.

The Nominating Committee presented its report at the May meeting, and the proposed slate of officers will now go to the Association at the June meeting for a vote. Please see the NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT elsewhere in this month's PRIDE for a list of the committee's nominees.

In addition, at the June meeting the VIP (Volunteer Incentive Program) presentations will be made. A number of GPNA members will be honored for their service to the Association and the community this past year. These modest tributes are merely public acknowledgements that their work does not go unnoticed.

This year, we are initiating a new classification as part of the VIP presentations. The "NOVA AWARD" will be presented for "Neighborhood Outstanding Volunteer Achievement," and like the name implies, the recipient of a "NOVA" is a STAR who shines brighter than most.

Volunteers who consistently display a willingness and enthusiasm to forge ahead and perform their duties in an exceptional manner, are a commodity that needs to be recognized, and nurtured. They are the backbone of any organization.

Finally, the Gifford Park Neighborhood Association is sincerely appreciative of the tremendous support this community has exhibited. When this endeavor began, there was the sense that our neighbors deserved a safer, cleaner, and friendlier place to call home. Together we have taken giant leaps toward that end.

**GIFFORD PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**ANNUAL DUES -- \$5 (Single), \$8 (Family), \$25 (Business/Institutional)**

**\*\*Please note: All new and newly-renewed memberships will expire June 1, 1993.**

If paying by check, make checks payable to GPNA  
 Mail to GPNA: 3225 1/2 California St., Omaha, NE 68131

**THE WATCH GROUP**

It's nice and warm out now, and the Watch Group is still riding around in their vehicles. Why? Are they getting lazy? Are they afraid of walking the streets? What's wrong?

The fact of the matter is, our neighborhood has been fairly stable for the past year. Many of the people who came out on walks before, are under the impression that the job is done, and they can relax. The biggest miscalculation a person can make now a days, is to let their guard down.

Unfortunately, the few who are still involved with the Watch Group on a regular basis don't meet the minimum number of people required for us to SAFELY walk. In accordance with the GPNA Watch Group rules, no less than six people may walk; otherwise, they must be in a vehicle, or cancel the watch for that night.

For the past year the shifts have been uneventful. Nevertheless, one of the reasons for the lack of problems on Watch is because we are out there every weekend. We let this committee dissolve, and sure enough, in a couple of months we'll be dealing with the same problems we had two and a half years ago.

The success of the past two years has proven the effectiveness of the GPNA Watch Group. The Kiewit Grant, and the Community Safety Award presented to us this year, affirms the worthiness of having this committee. It is up to all of us to support it, and participate as frequently as possible.

It's nice and warm out. Take a walk with us and see how nice it is to stroll through your neighborhood now. Bring your spouse, or a significant other. You won't regret it. For more information on the GPNA Watch Group, call Ron Yates at 558-6027.

**THE SHOWAGON'S COMING AGAIN!**

The Showagon, an evening of dancing, singing, baton twirling, gymnastics, and what-have-you, will return to Gifford Park June 23rd at 7 p.m.

If you have attended one of the past Showagons in the park, you know how much fun it is to go on down to the park and watch some of Omaha's finest up-and-coming performers.

Set the date and time on your calendar, and plan to attend.

**J-N-J GROCERY HOLDS GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION**

J-N-J Grocery  
GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION  
Friday through Sunday, June 5th, 6th, and 7th  
Hours: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Friday;  
11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

Please join the Gifford Park Neighborhood Association in wishing J-N-J Grocery good luck in its new location at the Southwest corner of 33rd and California Streets. If you have not yet visited this store, you will find it bright, beautiful, and well-stocked. The grand opening celebration will present a great opportunity to see the new facility.

The grand opening celebration will be held June 5th, 6th, and 7th, beginning at 11 a.m. Come have lunch. The price cannot be beat at 10 cents each for hot dogs and pop. The children will enjoy receiving a balloon from the clown. Also be certain to use the coupon below to register for the many prizes to be given away. The grand prize is a bicycle. Fresh fruit drinks will also be available.

Plan on viewing this new store, taking advantage of the specials, and visiting with your neighbors during the grand opening celebration.

**ENTRY FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Complete and deposit in the entry box at J-N-J Grocery.*

NEIGHBORHOOD PROBLEMS - WHERE TO CALL

Air Pollution Control . . . . .	444-5378
Animal Control (Strays, bites, sick or injured animals) . . .	571-0501
Cars or Trailers on Lawn . . . . .	444-5364
Chuck Holes . . . . .	444-4919
Code Enforcement (Dilapidated house, broken fence, etc.) . .	444-5371
Curb Repair . . . . .	444-4919
Emergency Home Repairs . . . . .	444-5489
Garbage Collection & Disposal (Watts Truck Line) . . . . .	592-7310
Handyman Program (Senior Citizen/Handicapped) . . . . .	444-5219
Housing Discrimination . . . . .	444-5055
Junk Cars (On Street) . . . . .	444-5782
Mayor's Action Office (City services and complaints) . . . .	444-5555
Neighborhood Watch Program . . . . .	444-5864
Police Crime Van . . . . .	444-5864
Property Taxes . . . . .	444-7272
Property Ownership . . . . .	444-7162
Recycling . . . . .	734-6060
Rodent Control . . . . .	444-7975/7659
Sewer Problems . . . . .	444-5332
Sign Ordinance Information . . . . .	444-5363/5364
Street Light Out . . . . .	554-6773
Street Maintenance . . . . .	444-4919
Street Sign Down . . . . .	444-5160
Telephone Repair . . . . .	611
Traffic Signal Not Working . . . . .	444-5160
Trees, Downed Limbs on City Right of Way . . . . .	444-4919
Trees (Disease, advice on landscaping, maintenance, etc.) . .	444-5925
Utilities: Downed electrical wires, street light out . . . .	554-1900
Gas leak, water leak, or outage . . . . .	554-7777
Unsafe or Dangerous Building or House . . . . .	444-5371
Weeds/Litter . . . . .	444-5910
Yard Litter (Furniture in yard, unsanitary conditions) . . .	444-7481/7482
Zoning Enforcement . . . . .	444-5364
Zoning Information . . . . .	444-5214

(For additions or corrections to this book, please call 444-5150.)