



# GIFFORD PARK'S PRIDE

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## Next Meeting:

Thursday, May 5th  
7:00 P.M.

St. Joseph's Hospital  
Dining Rooms A,B, & C

Guest: To Be Announced

FREE PARKING



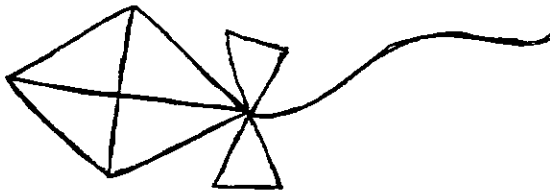
## PI KAPPA ALPHA FRATERNITY CLEANS UP BUSINESS DISTRICT

By: Chris Foster

Members of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity got a jump on neighborhood cleanup. Chris Birdsall and Mark Favazza lead their cleanup effort which targeted the following areas of the Gifford Park Neighborhood during mid-March: streets and sidewalks and a vacant lot were swept along the 33rd Street business district; Cass Street from 30th to 33rd Street; the 31st and Chicago Street area; and Gifford Park. These areas of our neighborhood needed this special attention because they are high visibility locations that can have a big impact on the image of the Gifford Park Neighborhood. Good Job Guys!!!

**OPPD KITE FLYING RULES**

1. NEVER fly your kite near electric wires or transmission towers.
2. NEVER fly your kite in wet or stormy weather or when lightning is present.
3. NEVER touch your kite if it gets caught in an electric wire or on a pole.
4. NEVER fly your kite near trees.
5. NEVER fly your kite with metal or foil on it, and don't use string containing wire or metallic thread.



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**NEIGHBORHOOD TOOL LENDING**

BY: Chris Foster

Spring means the grass is growing, the yard needs work, and home projects need to be completed. With this in mind, don't forget about our Neighborhood Tool Lending Program for anyone in the Gifford Park Neighborhood. You **DO NOT** have to be a member of the Neighborhood Association to use this program. The purpose of the Neighborhood Tool Lending program is to provide tools to people in the neighborhood who may not have a particular tool or a place to store tools. There is a minimal charge of \$3.00 to rent a tool (\$5.00 for mowers), mainly to cover maintenance costs. Below is a list of just a few tools available:

Lawn mower	Hedge Clippers	Shovels
Garden hoe	Ladder	Saws
Post hole digger	Garden tools	Rakes

Take advantage of the Neighborhood Tool Lending Program today!

**TOOL LENDING HOTLINE**

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 Ed: 341-0475  
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Hello! This is just a quick note to introduce myself. I have been a resident at 3409 California since January of 1990. I am focusing my attention on the Gifford Park area for NP Dodge Real Estate Co., and I am anxious to meet all of you! Do not hesitate to call me at home or at work for reliable, quick answers to all of your real estate questions.

I.R.S. TAX HELP APPRECIATED

The GPNA wishes to thank the I.R.S. and Jackie Foster for volunteering to provide free tax help for our neighborhood on several dates in February and April at the GPNA office. Watch for dates and times for next year's free tax help.  
**Thanks Jackie!**

**Hiram A. Sturges**  
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W H A T N U M B E R T O C A L L ?

CALL 911 WHEN YOU NEED IMMEDIATE HELP

CALL 444-5977 WHEN YOU NEED TO MAKE A REPORT BUT THE  
444-5888 SITUATION IS NON-LIFE THREATENING. FOR  
EXAMPLE, AN ACCIDENT WHEN IT'S SNOWING.

CALL 444-5600 WHEN YOU NEED INFORMATION, AND FOR ALL  
OTHER CALLS.

**AFTER YOU CALL POLICE:** Be a good witness, remember details. Give your name to police if you want to report a disturbance of the peace. Don't put yourself in danger; either call your neighbor to come to your house or go to the neighbor's house. Tell the officer "thanks".



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8:00 AM - 10:00 PM SUNDAY

## SPRING CLEANUP REPORT

By: Chris Foster

The Gifford Park Neighborhood cleanup crew rolled into Gifford Park early (about 8:00 a.m.) Saturday morning, April 9th, to set up shop. Seven hours and seven dumpsters later, the cleanup crew packed up and "crawled" home after another satisfying neighborhood cleanup effort. There is always room for improvement and we could have used more volunteers, but after all was said and done, the cleanup crew hammered out these impressive totals:

- 7 each 20 cy dumpsters (packed with care)
- 3 each City of Omaha dumptrucks
- \$169 GPNA memberships
- \$260 donations
- \$32 garage sale items
- \$131 salvage items (appliances, metal, tires, batteries)

The focus was on cleaning up our neighborhood's streets, yards, and parks. Our neighborhood cleanup was part of the annual "city-wide" cleanup made possible by the city of Omaha and keep Omaha beautiful providing the dumpsters for cleanup day. The GPNA wishes to thank these two organizations for doing an outstanding job of making this program a success year after year. We hope other neighborhood organizations get as much out of this program as we do.

The heart of the cleanup effort is found with our neighborhood's award-winning cleanup crew volunteers. Below are the names of most of the volunteers and a brief description of their efforts. (I apologize if any names were left out because everyone who helped deserves to be recognized):

**INDIVIDUAL VOLUNTEERS**

- BOB HUTTON-dumpster monitor
- RON YATES-hauling, recycling
- CYNDE YATES-membership/donation
- MIKE CABAN-dumpster monitor
- JUDI CABAN-membership/donation
- TOM ROSE-traffic control
- KATHY ROSE-membership/donation
- JOHN LYNCH-monitor, food
- LEO WILWERDING-hauling
- STEVE WILWERDING-hauling
- KIRK PECK-hauling
- BEN SWEAZY-hauling, tree brush
- JOHN REUSS-hauling, monitor
- DIANE REUSS-park cleanup
- JIM WINDORSKI-flyers
- KENT WINDORSKI-hauling
- ROSS WINDORSKI-hauling
- ED HENDERSHOT-tools, hauling
- MIKE BACOME-hauling, monitor
- CANDY BACOME-cook
- MARK FORSTER-food
- ROGER FREEMAN-hauling
- LLOYD CANFIELD-hauling, monitor
- VONDA MCEACHERN-membership/donation
- JOHN MCCALL-hauling
- NICK BURR-hauling
- JERRY REIGER-monitor
- PAUL MILERIS-donation (large)
- BRIAN KOKENSPARGER-flyers
- JIM MANZER-monitor, hauling
- MARK GORCOS-monitor, hauling
- SEAN BLAKE-monitor, hauling
- TERRY ROEHR-monitor, hauling
- BOB SIGLER-megaphone
- JULIE THEULEN-megaphone
- SALLIE FOSTER-planning
- CHRIS FOSTER-planning

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- Theta Phi Alpha-JENNY ROOT & ADRIENNE GUNZEL
- TKE House Fraternity-PAT SHARP & TOM KLUTHE
- Douglas County House Arrest-LT. STANGEL
- Kiewit Construction Co.-JOE BRUMBAUGH
- JIM TAYLOR
- DON HAMRE
- City of Omaha-JERRY FLOOD, ED ALDMEYER, & STAFF
- Keep Omaha Beautiful-CINDY SMILLEY
- Western Auto-SUBBY ANZALDO & BILLY BOOLEY

Ron Yates and Ed Hendershot deserve special recognition for their efforts in cleaning up an incident which occurred in our business district a couple of days before cleanup day. Graffiti was spray-painted on several buildings in and around the business district. Ron and Ed took it upon themselves to remove (paint over) the graffiti soon after it had been discovered. **Good job Ron and Ed!!!**

Since it's the little things that make a big difference in our neighborhood's image, why not think about neighborhood cleanup on a day-to-day basis instead of just a couple of times a year?

**WISDOM FOR THE MONTH**

"A billion here, a billion there, and pretty soon you're talking big money."  
- Senator Everett Dirksen



### WHY JOIN?

By: Terry Wilwerding

I have lived in this neighborhood for many years , and I know quite a few of the people who live around here. It puzzles me that many of these people do not belong to the GPNA. So here are some reasons why both new and old members of our neighborhood should consider joining.

1. **Stay informed.** The GPNA is the first one to know about what is going on.
2. **Have a Voice.** While it is often difficult for an individual to get action from officials, the GPNA has good contacts with elected and city officials, and they listen.
3. **The Newsletter.** If you become a member, not only will you get the general distribution newsletter (like this one), but you will also get the newsletter the other six months of the year when it is mailed to members.
4. **Meet People.** It would be difficult to assemble a more interesting and unique group of people than those we have as members. They're very friendly too.
5. **Neighborhood Activities.** We just finished our Easter egg hunt and spring cleanup, and will be having Gifford Park Day with the garage sale and fall cleanup to follow. The free trash removal in our cleanups is easily worth one years dues.
6. **The Monthly Meetings.** Besides the usual business, we have interesting speakers. Where else can you eat your fill of the free St. Joe's cookies and coffee?
7. **Much, Much More.** Need a special tool for some project? We have a tool lending committee. Art in the Park, Neighborhood Watch, and more that I can list here.

So here's the hot tip. Try one of our meetings, I'm sure you'll see someone there that you know. We meet at the above date, in Dining Room A, B, and C, which is directly south of the serving area of the St. Joe's cafeteria. You may even win the monthly raffle.

#### 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, 1994.**

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