



Gifford Park Neighborhood Association

528 North 32nd Street

Omaha, NE 68131



Chairman-Jim Windorski 341-4695

Vice Chairman-Chuck Kilgore 558-5000/341-2757

Secretary-Corky Grimes 345-3217

Treasurer-Ron Yates 558-6027

February 1990

MEMBERS-ONLY MAILING

POLICE RIDE ALONG

by Ron Yates

I met with Sergeant Tom Zoucha at the Crime Prevention Unit on Lake Street on January 12. I completed a form and then joined contact officers Steve Cordwin (South) and Marlin McClarty (North) (both of whom have attended GPNA meetings), so I felt comfortable with them. The fourth individual was a former Omaha resident, Mark Folson. He is now a Police Officer with the Kansas City Police Department.

Officer Cordwin suggested that we visit the 911 Center in the basement of the City-County Building, thirty feet below ground level. We then visited the Logan Fontenelle housing project. There was not a lot of activity, but I was surprised to see so many children out late at night. Officer McClarty pointed out several suspected crack houses and Mark helped me to understand some of the police language.

There was an accident at 76th & Dodge Streets and I was impressed with the way the police handled the traffic. They also showed me how they make a rolling vehicle check--so watch out the next time they are behind you!! We responded to several calls and the officers were very careful not to get there too early so they would not endanger a citizen (me).

I think that this ride helped me better understand how the Police Department works. I really think that if we, the good people of the Gifford Park Neighborhood Association, can help with neighborhood watch, we should. Remember the key is crime prevention.

NEXT MEETING

MAYOR MORGAN

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 7:00 P.M.

ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL
GLASSED-IN AREA NEXT TO CAFETERIA

FREE PARKING

Chairmen of Standing Committees:

Beautification

Dave Hawkins 345-6494

Membership

Ruth Windorski 341-4695

Merchants

Chuck Kilgore 558-5000 or 341-2757

Neighbor of the Month

Ron Yates 558-6027

Neighborhood Watch

Tom Rose 341-3955

Public Relations

John & Jackie Lynch 345-9624

Recycling

Mark Whitley 345-3858

Social Activity

Marge Hawkins 345-6494

Anyone wishing to become involved in one or more of these committees please call the chairperson for details. They all need help!

If you suspect drug activity in your neighborhood, please call the Narcotics Department at OPD (444-5681), in addition to 911.

SERVICES FOR NEIGHBORS

The Association has received requests from senior citizens for a program to assist them in obtaining help for basic home maintenance (snow shoveling, lawn service, miscellaneous chores).

Responsible neighborhood youth interested in earning a little spending money, please call Jack Atkins (341-8434). If you need a service, please specify the type of help you need and if any equipment is needed (shovels, lawnmower, etc.).

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The GPNA will be honored by the presence of Mayor P. J. Morgan at the February 1 general meeting. This is an excellent opportunity for all of us to meet the mayor close-up and personal. If you have any serious questions you wish to ask our mayor, bring them with you. I hope to see each and every one of you there (February 1, 7:00 p.m., St. Joseph's Hospital, glassed-in area next to cafeteria).

Mark your calendars for February 21 at 7:00 p.m. to attend the informational program "What You Don't Know Can Hurt You". The GPNA, Yates PTA, and St. Joseph's Hospital are jointly sponsoring this program on AIDS which will be held in the Seminar Room at St. Joseph's Hospital. Plan to attend!

Omaha's Municipal Code requires all sidewalks to be shoveled within 24 hours after a snowstorm. If left unshoveled, City crews may clear them at the property owner's expense.

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

We wish to welcome the following new members to the GPNA: Tom Bucy, Bobbi Burns, Nancy Elvins, Sandra Erickson, James Gottsch, Amy and Robert Jennum, Brian and Karen Kokensparger, Don Rech, Barb Schroeder, Dr. James Severa, Miriam Sweeney, Patrick Taylor, Angela Tompsett, Sharon Walters, and Mike Wilson.

Thank you for your support. We have much to do in our neighborhood and will be counting on each and every one of you for some help in some way in the future. Our membership now totals 183.

The membership policy set forth by the Executive Board of the GPNA is as follows: All renewals received by June 1 will be renewed for \$3.00 per person for the 1990-1991 year. All new memberships expire on June 1, unless membership is received after April 30, 1990.

Mail your renewals to Ruth Windorski, 528 N. 32nd St., Omaha, NE 68131. If paying by check, make check payable to Gifford Park Neighborhood Association. Your membership cards will be mailed in the first "members only" newsletter following receipt of renewed membership.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance 12/26/89	\$2,380.71
New Memberships	15.00
Donations	25.00
Interest	24.42
	\$2,445.13

Lighting Contest	60.00
KM3 Workshop	15.00
Post Office (stamps)	50.00
Newsletter printing	150.00
	275.00

Balance 1/18/90	\$2,170.13
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R. J. Morgan

January 12, 1990

Mr. Jim Windorski
Chairman
Gifford Parks Neighborhood Association
528 North 32nd Street
Omaha, NE 68131

Dear Mr. Windorski:

I am pleased to inform you that Gifford Park Neighborhood Association has been nominated to receive one of the 1990 Mayor's Partnership Awards for your joint efforts with other neighborhood associations to improve Omaha Parks, especially Gifford Park.

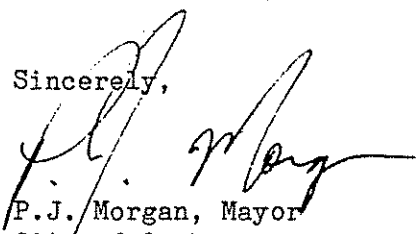
The award program honors businesses, organizations and individuals who have recently contributed to a public-private partnership in economic development, housing, employment and training, and quality of life programs. A business, organization or individual qualifies by demonstrating a financial or voluntary commitment to activities that encourage Omaha's growth and betterment. The awards recognize public-private partnerships, which have helped create programs or projects the City would not otherwise be able to afford. Four or five awards are given annually.

All nominees, and the winning projects, will be formally recognized at a February 22nd dinner at the Omaha Marriott. Cash bar begins at 6:00 p.m., with dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Since this is government-sponsored, I am unable to give complimentary dinners. The cost of the dinner is \$25 per person. If you are interested in attending, please send your check and the number of reservations to: The Mayor's Partnership Awards, The Mayor's Office, 1819 Farnam Street, Suite 300, Omaha, NE 68183. The reservation deadline is February 12, 1990.

I look forward to seeing you at this year's Mayor's Partnership Dinner. Again, congratulations on your nomination.

Sincerely,


P.J. Morgan, Mayor
City of Omaha

PJM:2-3766mz

Give your neighbors a chance to join the Gifford Park
Neighborhood Association.

GIFFORD PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
PHONE: _____
DATE: _____

ANNUAL DUES \$3.00 PER PERSON

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