

Southmoreland News

Kansas City Cultural Center

January, 1983

Southmoreland Historic District

Congratulations to our neighborhood! On December 16th the City of Kansas City designated sixty-one properties in our area as the Southmoreland Neighborhood Historic District. The district, which lies generally from 43rd to 44th and Warwick Blvd. to Rockhill Road, was noted primarily because of its excellent collection of architecturally significant turn-of-the-century homes.

Testimony before the City Council Committee indicated that these homes were built just after the area was annexed by the city, when 47th street was the southern city limits. At that time the area was a fashionable new suburb. Several of Kansas City's most prominent business and civic leaders moved out from the city and created this new residential district. Their homes were designed by some of KC's leading architects, and are remarkably well preserved considering what some of them have been through during the last seventy to eighty years.

Any property within the historic district is protected against incompatible alteration or demolition under the rules of the Landmark Commission.

A lot of people in our neighborhood worked hard to get this area declared a historic district. A special thanks to Dennis Pierce who spent countless hours researching the history of each house, and to the many neighbors who attended the three public hearings to show their support.

New Business at 43rd & Oak

Welcome to our neighborhood: Linda Flake and her recently opened Material Possessions shop at 306 East 43rd. Linda designs one-of-a-kind clothing items and recycles vintage clothing and accessories. Among her specialties are country-western shirts, and old-fashioned creations. Stop in and see her, Wednesday to Sunday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Zoning Violations

The city has sent a notice of zoning violation to the owner of 4312 McGee, 4328 McGee, 4315 Warwick and 206 East 44th Street. All four houses have allegedly been divided into an excessive number of apartment units. Anyone having information concerning the houses should contact Bob Bergfeld, 274-2521, during business hours.

Southmoreland General Meeting

Tuesday, January 11th 7:30 p.m.

Vanderslice Hall, Kansas City Art Institute

Our guest speaker will be Sharon Blevins, Main Street Revitalization.

Executive Meeting

Thursday, January 20th 7:30 p.m.

Rachel Steele's home - 4330 Rockhill Road

Historic Notes

The oldest house in the Southmoreland Neighborhood is a very charming reddish-brown brick Queen Anne on the northwest corner of 44th and Locust. It was built in 1889 for Augustus C. Strein, a dairyman. Mr. Strein also had a large barn built for his cows just north of the house. The area was largely pastureland at that time, ten years before annexation by Kansas City, and the cows grazed down to Harris Creek which ran through what is now Gillham Park.

About 1903, Ralph E. Stout and his wife, Mary, moved into the house. By this time, the suburban sprawl had reached the area and a few other houses were being built. Mr. Stout was city editor for the Kansas City Star at that time, but was named managing editor in 1905, a position which he held until his death in 1926. Mrs. Stout, who had been the exchange editor for the Star prior to her marriage in 1898, continued to live in the house until 1942.

Gleed and Martha Gaylord moved into the house in the early 1940's. Mr. Gaylord was president of Gaylord Chemical Company. He was also editor and publisher of "The Independent", Kansas City's journal of society, a position which Mrs. Gaylord has occupied since her husband's death in 1966. Mrs. Gaylord maintained her home in this house until 1978, when she sold it to the current owners, Les and Cheryl Matthews.

Developments on Main Street

Sutherland Lumber Co., which recently completed expansion of its headquarters at 40th and Main, has announced plans to acquire the rest of that block for construction of an office building to house their West Coast division. In the next block south, the Community Blood Bank would like to acquire the long vacant Fiesta Ballroom for expansion of their services. Both projects are being coordinated through the city's Planned Industrial Expansion Authority. If the projects are successful, this would be a big improvement for Main Street. Both the Blood Bank and Sutherland have been good neighbors for years.

There are currently two competing interests vying for the vacant lot at 39th and Main. Quick-Trip (R) recently purchased the property to relocate its convenience store now at 39th and Warwick. At the same time, the Kansas City Redevelopment Authority announced that it plans a large scale commercial urban renewal project for the four block area which would involve rehabilitation of existing buildings and acquisition of several properties, including the vacant lot. The KCRA plan envisions a more substantial use for the corner than a Quick-Trip (R) store, and is preferred by people and businesses who are working to improve the commercial district.

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Vice President: Cheryl Matthews
Secretary: Suzi Lockett
Treasurer: Ann Hayward

4530 Rockhill Rd.
420 E. 44th St.
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211 W. 51st Terrace

THE PERFECT GIFT

Southmoreland residents are encouraged to start the new year right by giving the gift of life. The Community Blood Center of Greater Kansas City is located at 4040 Main. For an appointment to donate, call 753-4040.

Hours are:

Mon., Wed., Fri.: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tues., Thurs.: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sat.: 8 a.m. to 12 Noon.

ARTICLE XIV.

ORD. NO. 41525 SEC. 34.192

No person shall park a vehicle on any street in the same place continuously for a period of time longer than 48 hours.

WE DELIVER!!

Through rain, wind, sleet or snow, the Southmoreland News gets delivered to you.

The Southmoreland Neighborhood Association applauds the carriers of the newsletter. Each month they weather the elements to get their newsletters distributed to you, our readers.

Their reward is knowing that they have given a service to their neighbors and community.

Following is the current list of carriers, but a thank you to all those who have delivered the newsletter in the past.

A special thank you to:

Col. Arthur Allen	Ruth Allen
George Armstrong	Ray Barta
Lula Bay	Chris Bond
Dan Bowman	Ed Cockrell
John Dempsey	Ilene Griffith
Ivan Hays	Ann Hayward
Pat Kroll	John Lowry
Nancy Lowry	Susan Malland
Terry Trout	Barbara Watt
Jim Watt	Mrs. Roy Woods

If you are interested in delivering the newsletter, please call Dave or Suzi Lockett at 931-0308.

New Year's Resolutions

Have you made a list of your 1983 New Year's resolutions yet? Southmoreland Neighborhood has:

1. I will keep my dog on a leash.
2. I will be concerned about my neighbors and report any suspicious activity to them or the police.
3. I will become involved in Crime Watch on my block.
4. I will attend the monthly meetings of the Association.
5. I will keep my property in conformance to code and the grounds free of litter.
6. I will park my car according to city ordinance keep it licensed, tagged and in working condition.
7. I will instruct my children to respect other people and their property.
8. I will not violate the city's noise ordinance.

Bark, Screech, Bang and Clang Noise Control Program becomes Law

To request assistance in dealing with specific annoying noises, contact James Kusich's office (Noise Control Coordinator), 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, 2301 Locust, 1st Floor, 274-1597 or 274-1598.

WELCOME

The Southmoreland Neighborhood Association wishes to welcome the following new members:

B & O Properties
Ronald Fuhrken
Terry A. Hainje
David C. Hawley
Hal Miller
Mary Meyer
Peter Nicholas
Dr. Stephen K. Peterson
JoAnn Pugh
Mike Siragusu
Hazel Ulilson
Pearl Ulilson
Daniel Williams

S'Long, Norman

Norman Weinstein, the butcher at J & G Market on the corner of 43rd and Oak, has retired this past December. Norman was at the same location for 14 years - 5 years with John Kelley, now the owner of J & G.

Norman will begin his retirement with a trip to Hawaii with his wife.

The employees of J & G Market and the entire neighborhood will miss him. We hope he pops in occasionally to visit.

John Kelley indicated he will assume the responsibilities of butcher. John has had 4 years experience and expects to expand the meat department and add deli meats to his line.

Christmas Baskets

Christmas baskets were delivered to three needy families in Southmoreland. Thanks to those who donated food for this worthy cause. Suzi Lockett did a nice job of coordinating this project.

JANUARY CALENDAR UMKC

JANUARY 16, Concert: Kansas City Symphony Orchestra, 3 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for The Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. \$8.

JANUARY 18, Faculty Clarinet Recital: Patricia Kostek Huebner, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

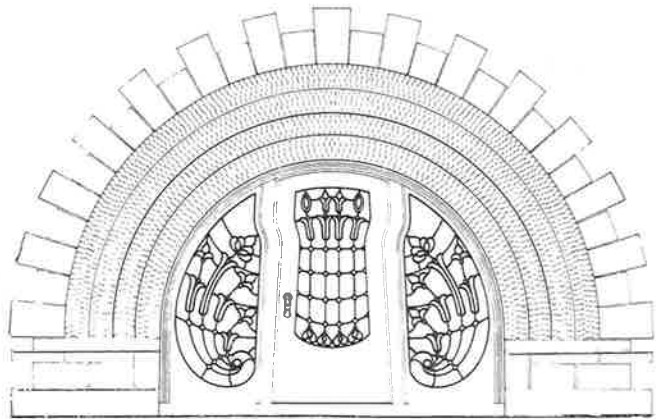
JANUARY 23, Concert: Kansas City Symphony Orchestra, 3 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. \$8.

JANUARY 25, Faculty Trumpet Recital: Terry Sawchuk, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

JANUARY 26, Faculty Oboe Recital: Anne Miller, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

JANUARY 27-30, Missouri Repertory Theatre: "The Innocent", 8 p.m., Jan. 27, 28, 29; 2 p.m., Jan. 30; Helen F. Spencer Theatre, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. \$9, \$13. Call 276-2704.

JANUARY 30, Concert: Kansas City Symphony Orchestra, 3 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. \$8.



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HISTORIC NOTES

One of the largest houses in the Southmoreland Neighborhood Historic District is the cedar shingled Dutch Colonial at the corner of Oak and Rockhill. The house was designed by Keene & Simpson, architects, who also designed the beautiful cut-stone mansion at 4509 Walnut. It was built by J.R. Vansant, builder, in 1911 for \$14,000. It has 6,800 square feet of living space, plus a basement, seventy windows and is situated on 3/4 acre.

The house appears to face Rockhill Road on the north, but in fact, the main entrance is on the south. At the same time this house was being built, another was under construction in the yard to the north, and what appears to be the front yard was actually another property. The rock wall surrounding the two properties was not built until 1917.

The first owner of the house was William S. Woods, a real estate operator. He was a director of Pioneer Trust Co. for whom he managed the real estate, loan, insurance and rental business. He had previously been vice president of the Kansas City Real Estate Exchange, President of Whipple-Woods Realty Co., and President of Woods, Waller & Holtz Realty Co. He was "one of the best informed men concerning property values, the possibilities for purchase and sale and the probabilities of the rise or diminution in value of realty throughout the city" according to an article published at that time.

In 1916, John E. Hutt purchased the house. He was president of the H.E. Hutt Construction Co., and a vice president of Commonwealth National Bank. He died in 1931, but his wife continued to own the house and rented out apartments until 1944, when she sold the property to Mrs. Alberta Beverly who lived there and rented out apartments until 1971.

Community Forums Announced

Karen McCarthy Benson, Westport's "Lady of the House", has announced a series of Community Forums which will be held monthly during the legislative session at the Westport Allen Center, 706 West 42nd Street. They are scheduled for the following Saturdays: February 26, March 19, April 23, May 21 and June 18 from 2 to 4 p.m.

These forums are a continuation of the monthly in-district meetings which Ms. Benson has held during each session. Discussion is about matters pending before the Legislature which are of concern to Westport residents.

Ms. Benson is the newly appointed chairman of the House Revenue and Economics Committee, and will be dealing with issues of taxation and revenue revisions. The ideas and comments of all her constituents will be considered, so please plan to attend.

WELCOME

This month's new member to the neighborhood association is Felicity Bliss.

47th Street to 39th Street, Main Street to Gillham/Rockhill Road

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Vanderslice Hall, Kansas City Art Institute

Our guest speaker will be Greg Patterson, of Westport Tomorrow.

Executive Meeting

Thursday, February 17th 7:30 p.m.

Cheryl Matthews home - 420 E. 44th Street

Neighborhood Block Watches Being Formed

Southmoreland is very fortunate to have many residents who are interested in preserving the neighborhood. One of the ways this can be accomplished is by reducing the amount of crime, and there is no better way to do this than by forming active block watch programs. Your neighbors are your best protection against invasions of your property and yourself.

Four new watches are organizing in Southmoreland at this time.

Lorraine Weller, 300 East 43rd, 561-3930, is organizing a neighborhood watch in the 300 block of East 43rd.

Connie Craft, 112 East 43rd, 931-9126, is planning to join with her neighbors in the Afton's to encourage interest in crime prevention.

Ruth Allen, 4307 Warwick, 931-4998, and Amy Wunsch are working together to start an active watch in the 4300 block of Warwick to also include 200 East 43rd.

Ray Barta, 4320 McGee, 931-9927, Kate White and Sharmin Frost are joining forces to organize the 4300 block of McGee.

These concerned neighbors are to be commended for the time and efforts they are putting into their block watch programs. Of course they cannot succeed unless others who live in those areas show an interest and help. If you live in one of these areas, please make the effort to do your small part to make the neighborhood watch work when these people contact you. Better yet, contact one of them and tell them of your interest in helping in any way you can to prevent crime and make your neighborhood a safer place to live.

A hearty thanks to Lorraine, Connie, Ruth, Amy, Ray, Kate and Sharmin!

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Help Plan a Celebration

1983 marks the 150th anniversary of the founding of the town of West Port by John Calvin McCoy. Under the sponsorship of Westport Tomorrow a committee is now being formed to properly celebrate this event. The list of possible activities is still being decided, and the chairman of the committee, Mark Shapiro, would welcome any suggestions you may have, and any help that you could offer. Why not give him a call at 561-0736, and become a participant in this important event.

THANK YOU, RUTH ALLEN

Behind the beauty, glamour and success one sees today in the Southmoreland Neighborhood, there has been the hard labors of a real trouper, Ruth Allen.

When Southmoreland (then it was Gillham-Main) was only a dream, Ruth was talking to people about organizing to protect their property. Ruth is one of the founding members of Gillham-Main.

In the 10 years since our neighborhood association was founded, Ruth has:

Helped establish the ATA stop at 43rd & Main; Supported the upkeep of the Westport Library; Worked on the committee studying ordinances on group homes; Served on the committee which would establish an office district within the zoning ordinance; Served three years with the Westport Planning Commission (Westport Community Council); Helped raise funds for the Westport Allen Center (Senior Center) for which she was awarded an etching of the Senior Center; Participated in local lobbying and traveling to Jefferson City for passage of House Bill 1141: Delinquent Land Tax; Been a delegate to "Westport in the 80's Day" 1980 and 1981; Helped with the Main Street Sweep-a-thon; Supported the sale of Rollins School to St. Paul's; Attended meetings to oppose the adult book store; Attended meetings for the number of liquor licenses in Westport; Served on the 1981 Gillham-Main Homes Tour - staffing each home with tour volunteers; Chaired the neighborhood zoning committee, and put in countless hours researching the history and ownership of properties for zoning hearings; Served on: the committee on curbs and sidewalks, Nominating Committee, and every garage sale, picnic and Christmas Party, Nominated for the 1982 Joseph B. Shaughnessy, Jr. Memorial Award.

Ruth has continuously given of her time and energies in all matters that concern Westport and the Southmoreland Neighborhood.

To Ruth Taylor Allen, our dearest Valentine - Thank You.

ATTENTION VOTERS

Don't forget: if you used to vote at Westport Senior High School, you'll now be voting at St. Paul's School (the old Rollins School building). There is access by way of Walnut Street through the playground for handicapped and elderly. Parking is available in the lot off Main Street, but using this route will involve some stair climbing. Now that you know where the polling place is located, don't forget to get out and vote February 8th.

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No person shall park a vehicle upon any street for the principle purpose of:

- (A) Displaying such vehicle for sale.
- (B) Washing, greasing or repairing such vehicle except repairs necessitated by emergency.
- (C) Displaying merchandise for sale or for advertising purposes.

Westport Alive Forum

Westport Alive, a community forum in action on education, will be held at Westport Junior High, 39th and McGee, on Saturday, February 26, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event is planned for the entire Westport attendance area, including business representatives, local residents, educators and students. It is sponsored by the Westport Junior High School Advisory Committee in cooperation with the Institute of Cultural Affairs.

According to Dr. George Garcia, Westport Junior Principal, the program is planned to bring together community members in a continued effort to develop excellence in Westport schools.

Discussions, workshops, lunch, entertainment and a tour of the school will be included in Westport Alive. There will not be a charge, but donations are welcome.

For further information or registration, call 531-4980.

ART INSTITUTE HAPPENINGS

"Artists on Campus" lecture series.

Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. at the college's Irving Amphitheater. Admission is free, and the public is invited to attend.

January 26 - Steven Whitacre, Chairman and Professor, Foundation department.

February 2 - Wilbur Neiwald, Chairman and Professor, Painting/Printmaking departments.

February 9 - Dale Eldred, Chairman and Professor, Sculpture department.

February 16 - Steve Cromwell, Associate Professor, Liberal Arts department.

February 23 - Hugh Merrill, Assistant Professor, Printmaking department.

March 2 - Roger Funk, Chairman and Professor, Design department.

For more information, please call Sherry Cromwell-Lacy, at 561-4852, ext. 57.

Application for Membership in the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association

If you live, work or own property within the Southmoreland neighborhood (39th to 47th, Main to Gilham Road), your 1982-83 membership dues are payable now.

Name _____

Address _____ Apt. _____

Phone _____ Zip _____

please indicate:

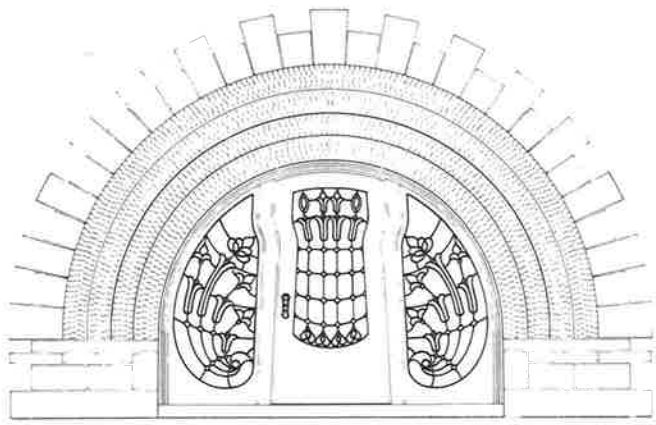
Tenant (\$3.00) _____ Owner (\$5.00) _____

Student (\$1.00) _____ Senior Citizen (\$1.00) _____

Institution (\$25.00) _____ Merchant (\$25.00) _____

Do you wish to be listed in the directory? _____

Please mail to Ann Hayward, 211 West 51st Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64112.



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Attention: Residents North of Forty Third Street

There have been rumors of some caring/sharing type people in residence north of 43rd Street. Other than the handful of regulars who have been doing all the work these past years, no one knows who the rest of you are.

There have also been rumors that all of the energy and enthusiasm is south of 43rd Street. After all, over the years the whole neighborhood has relied on many of the south forty-thirders to do all the work for them. The south forty-thirders probably think that the north forty-thirders don't care.

Ridiculous you say? Now is your chance to speak up and be recognized as a caring/sharing individual.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Here is my suggestion for celebrating our neighborhood's 10th anniversary:

I can help by: _____

Here are my suggestions for improving the neighborhood: _____

I don't have a good idea now, but I care and want to help: _____

I need a ride to the general meetings and home afterward. _____

Please mail or deliver to:
Suzi Lockett
4055 McGee
Kansas City, MO 64111

"Hey—Would You Look At That"

The Soward's at 4316 McGee have removed the old chain link fence and put in a wooden fence. Even in the dead of winter, our residents are improving the appearances of their properties. Thanks! It's a nice improvement.

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Tuesday, March 8th, 7:30 p.m.

Vanderslice Hall, Kansas City Art Institute

Guest speaker will be Sara Hill with the Kansas City Historical Foundation. Sara will present a slide show on the architecture of historic Kansas City homes and churches.

Executive Meeting

Thursday, March 17th, 7:30 p.m.

Vancerslice Hall, Kansas City Art Institute

Attention: DOG OWNERS

City regulations state: . . . all dog must be fenced in or on a leash at all times and . . . dog owners must clean up after their dogs.

If you witness one of these violations, please register a complaint with the City Animal Control Department, 861-0123. Be prepared to give the name and/or address of the dog owner as well as a description of the dog.

The greenways and sidewalks in our neighborhood are unsightly from dog messes. Southmoreland has consistently supported City regulations. Everyone is encouraged to help eliminate this problem.

Dog owners—Clean up your act.
Witnesses of violations—Register complaints.

May 1st is the due date for yearly dog licenses.

Don't Pitch It Out Pitch It In . . . A Container, That Is

Now that nice weather is becoming more frequent, let's see all our neighbors picking up the trash which has accumulated around trees, fences, greenway, curbs, drains, etc. While you are taking a walk to the store or around the block, pick up a few pieces of litter. If we all help, the job will be easy and the neighborhood will look much better.

If you need to arrange for a large item (appliance, furniture etc.) pick-up, call 274-1811. The city will arrange a time with you to pick-up the item for free. Please don't set out items until the morning of the pick-up.

911 FOR EMERGENCY 911

Like most things, this will work for you if you don't misuse it. Please don't dial 911 only to see if it is for real, or let your children abuse this emergency line.

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To Serve You

John Kelley, owner and manager of J & G Market at 43rd and Oak, is pleased to announce Sunday hours of business—**11 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

Besides being open on Sunday, John's bigger and better meat department is the first of many new features coming about at J & G. These improvements are greatly appreciated by the neighborhood residents. Southmoreland thanks you, John, for your continuing efforts to improve our local grocery store.

UNKC HAPPENINGS

March 6 Concert: Civic Orchestra, 3:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 6 Chamber Series: Contemporary Chamber Players, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 7 Concert: Jazz Combos, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 8 Tuesday Piano Series: Richard Cass, 7:30 p.m., White recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 9 Vocie Recital: Jan DeGaetani, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 10 Faculty Flute Recital: Mary Posses, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 10 Vocie Masterclasses: Jan DeGaetani, 4 & 7:30 p.m., White recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 20 Faculty Trombone Recital: John Leisenring, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 22 German Lieder Masterclass: Thilde Beuing, 7:30 p.m., Stover Auditorium, 45th & Warwick, Free.

March 24 Audubon Film: 8:00 p.m., Pierson Hall, University Center, 50th & Holmes, Free.

March 24 Violin Masterclass: Joseph Silverstein, 4-6 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 25 Concert: Conservatory Orchestra, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 27 Concert: Wind Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 29 Tuesday Piano Series: John McIntyre, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 31 Opera Cartoon Festival: "What's Opera Doc?" 7:30 & 9:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing arts, 4949 Cherry, Free.

March 31 Studio Production: "Once in Time of War," 8:00 p.m., J.C. Nichols School, 69th & Oak, \$5.00. Call 276-2704.

Article XIV Ord. 41525. Sec. 34.194

Except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic, or in compliance with law, or the directions of a police officer, or official traffic control device, no person shall stop a vehicle: (a) on a roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street. (b) on a sidewalk. (c) within an intersection. (d) on a crosswalk.

Abracadabra . . . Newsletter

Each month, this magical newsletter is brought to you through the efforts of Suzi Lockett, Dave Lockett, Dennis Pierce, Rachael Steele, George Armstrong, Pat Kroll and all the carriers.

You, too, could be part of this wonderful team by writing an article or series of articles for the newsletter. You could report on certain happenings like the upcoming celebrations for Westport's 150th anniversary, the Nelson's or UMKC's or Art Institute's anniversaries or even Southmoreland's anniversary celebrations. There are opportunities for many of you to begin writing and to become a part of this dynamic team. Call Suzi at 931-0308 or come to the general meeting and discuss it with her soon.

Westport Chili Day

Congratulations to Westport Tomorrow for another successful Chilly Chili Day. The funds raised from the 4th annual event will benefit Westport Tomorrow's Crime Prevention Program. Thank you to the Southmoreland residents who helped with the work during the day and pre-sale of tickets.

Congratulations to the Valentine Neighborhood Association for their wonderful valentine's party.

News from our neighbors in Broadway-Gillham—The area bounded by Main, 41st Street, Baltimore Avenue and 40th Way, and the southeastern quadrant of same has been declared in need of coordinated industrial development by the City Council.

Since this decision affects the western edge of our neighborhood, we'll be very interested in all decisions forthcoming.

Crime Awareness Bulletin

(The following article was prepared by Officer Neal Lipka from the Central Patrol Division)

Anti-Crime Guide

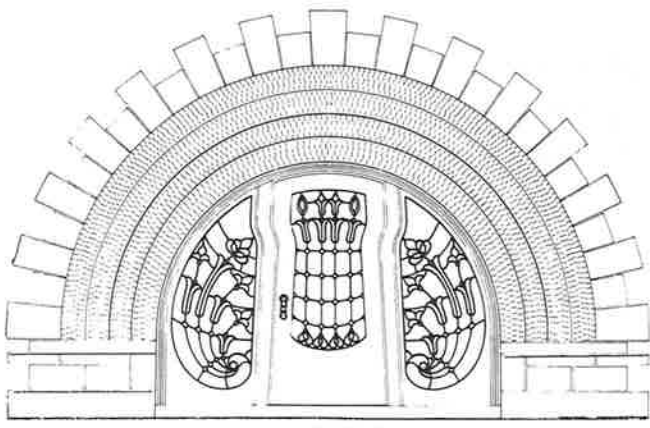
Residence Burglary: Profile of a Burglar

Part of your defense is knowing your enemy. Today's residential burglar is often young, often an amateur and is looking for an easy opportunity. While this may seem deplorable, it is to your advantage because most of the time you can thwart him or her by simply removing the chance of becoming a victim.

Most residential burglars are young male adults, less than 30 years of age—at which time most burglars become sufficiently experienced and discriminating to concentrate on commercial establishments or the homes of wealthier citizens.

Nationwide, 83% of all burglary arrests involve someone under 25 years of age. In one recently released study, 64% of the burglars were under 18 years old.

Most burglars have normal intelligence. They have ample ingenuity to master the rudimentary skills necessary to try to open a door or window and rummage through likely stash points for valuables. Twenty percent of the time the suspect enters through an unlocked door. If you are burglarized, this youthful, intelligent opportunist is your man. And he refuses to look the part. In case you are still looking for a billed cap, face kerchief and turned up collar, forget it. He may be clean shaven, wear a crew cut and be dressed in sports clothing, a repairman uniform or anything that will blend smoothly with the environment.



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39th & Main

Did you see the QuikTrip® on the southeast corner of 39th and Main? In spite of a pledge to sell the vacant lot for redevelopment anytime before March 25, construction was underway the week of March 14th for yet another QuikTrip® for our neighborhood.

The Main Street Corridor Redevelopment Corporation had been discussing plans for development of the site with several developers over the past couple of years. Recently, the city drafted an urban renewal plan which included purchase of the site, but this plan has been delayed by a court injunction. Because of the March 25 deadline imposed on the purchase of the property, the Main Street Redevelopment Corporation is a local not-for-profit group which works to foster improvements along the commercial corridor. It is composed of local business, civic and government representatives, including a representative from our neighborhood. Their plans for the corner are to attract a substantial development such as a multi-story office building with first floor retail space.

Six residents of our neighborhood appeared at a city council hearing to testify that we did not need another QuikTrip®. The council was told that we need good, quality development at this crucial intersection. We trust that QuikTrip® will honor its pledge to sell their property.

If you would like to comment on the future of this vital property, please address your letters to:

Mr. John Scott
QuikTrip Corporation
P.O. Box 220
Mission, KS 66202

COUNCILMAN RIFFEL

Congratulations on your re-election. While the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association is prevented by law from supporting candidates for political office, our neighborhood showed its overwhelming support at the polls. At this writing, the precinct totals aren't in for the general election, but in the primary our three precincts gave Jerry Riffel a 7 to 1 margin over his opponent George Leggio.

Councilman Riffel's most recent help to our neighborhood was saving the southeast corner of 39th and Main from what most of us considered to be an undesirable development. He sponsored and steered an emergency ordinance through the City Council which authorized the purchase of the corner by a non-profit group which plans to attract a significant office/retail development for the site. He did this in spite of a threatened contempt of court citation against him. We appreciate his efforts to improve our neighborhood.

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A representative from Parks and Recreation will be the speaker.

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Dennis Pierce's home, 4317 Oak St.

Urban Renewal

The Kansas City Redevelopment Authority has drafted a plan for helping with the renewal of the four block area surrounding 39th and Main. The plan calls for individual property owners to rehabilitate most of the existing structures, but calls for demolition of a couple of the worst. The plan is supported by business groups in the immediate area. Only one property owner has voiced opposition to the plan: John Tuccillo, owner of the Pink Garter Go-Go bar. Unfortunately, Mr. Tuccillo's attorney, David Greis, has convinced a judge to issue an injunction against the city so that it cannot proceed with the plan. We are not sure why the whole plan should be stopped just because the Pink Garter objects, but we hope the judge will reconsider. We need to get on with improving Main Street.

Willow Woods of Westport

JoAnne Loftus, a Southmoreland resident, has opened a much needed school which will serve the Southmoreland area as well as adjoining neighborhoods. Willow Woods, located in Westport Presbyterian Church, 753-5540, is for children age six weeks to twelve years old. Also available is a program for before and after regular school hours, and a summer program.

Longfellow Neighborhood to Have Homes Tour

Tour guides are needed to help Longfellow with their tour June 4th and 5th. Would some Southmoreland residents like to help? Our expertise in discussing fine features of homes and architecture would be appreciated. Call the Longfellow Community Association office at 561-6004.

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HEY — WOULD YOU LOOK AT THAT!

John Kelley, owner of J & G Market on the corner of 43rd and Oak, has been doing some remodeling.

The meat department is shaping up; the rear of the store has taken on a new and clean look. By Easter, John should have the deli ready. He will also have cooked meats to go.

The next area he is going to tackle is the ceilings and floors.

Way to go, John. Thanks.

Welcome, New Members

Gilbert/Robinson, Inc.
Rita Kingrue

Jack Horton
Dallas Williams

Large Trash Pick-up May 2nd AKA Westport Spring Clean Up

Extra trucks and crews will be in our area for this major pick-up. They will pick up large items, bulky items and properly bundled items. They will not pick up demolition debris or large quantities of loose branches.

WESTPORT BEGINS ITS 150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Plans have been formulated and events are shaping up.

April 10: Tour of Watkins Mill

April 15 & 16: Westport Ballet at the Folly

April 15: Thomas Hart Benton Home Opening

April 16 to May 2: Westport Spring Clean-up

April 17: Westport House Dedication

April 29 to May 1: Kick-off City Arts Celebration,
Crown Center

May 7 & 8: Harris-Kearney House Book, Plant &
Bake Sale

May 14: Main Street Parade

If you wish to help with some of these, call Greg Patterson at Westport Tomorrow, 753-2611.

Art Institute Happenings

Kemper Gallery

March 26 - April 17: "Jim Morgan Memorial Exhibition".

April 24 - May 7: "1983 Kansas City Art Institute Graduating Senior Exhibition".

Department of Design Lectures - Open to the Public

April 11: Gary Mallen - "The Designer's Role as Problem Solver".

April 18: Theodore Seligson - "Historic Preservation".

April 25: Philip Olson - "The City/Urban Neighborhoods".

All presentations will be at 7:00 p.m. in Irving Amphitheatre. There is no charge for admission.

Artists on Campus Lecture Series

April 13: Carl Kurts - "Dyed Images; Recent Work in Dye Transfer". 7:00 p.m., Irving Amphitheatre.

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The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art

Lecture Series

"Eight Great Houses of England". Thursdays, April 20 to May 12, 1:00 - 2:15 p.m. Ellen Goheen will lead a "tour" of English architecture on four successive Thursdays in April and May. To reserve your place for the series, send your check for \$25.00, payable to the Nelson Gallery Foundation, to "Lecture Series, Education Department", at the Museum by April 17.

Creative Arts Center

Spring classes will be conducted April 5 through May 28. Classes include weekday pre-school and Saturday classes on "Art and Nature", ceramics for children, and drawing for adults and children. Call 561-4000, ext. 235 or 236, for information or to enroll.

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April 7, Euphonium Recital: Kenneth Shrum, 7:30 p.m., Epperson House, 52nd and Cherry Streets. Free.

April 7, Piano Recital: Janet L. Roberts, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

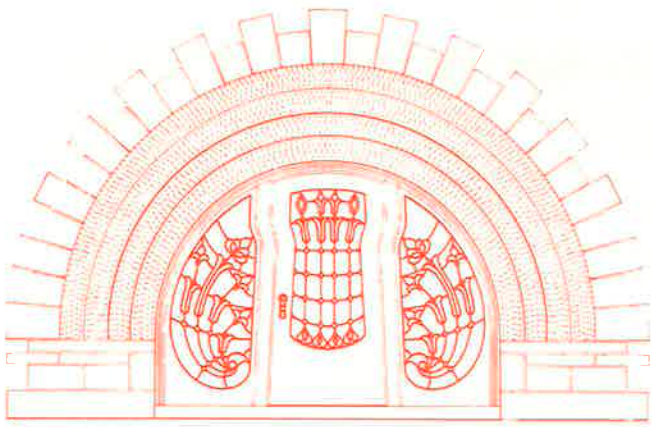
April 8, Concert: Conservatory Jazz Choir, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

April 10, Concert: Kansas City String Orchestra, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

April 13, Concert In The Pouch: Fast & Missad, musical satire and improvisation, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., University Cafeteria, University Center, 50th and Holmes Streets. Free.

April 14, American Festival Jazz Concert: 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

April 16, American Festival Concert: Barbershop Quartet, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.



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May, 1983

Welcome, New Members

Ann Chance
William E. Disney
Megan Monroe

WELCOME, Main Street Corridor

On Wednesday, April 27th, Main Street Corridor opened the doors of their new office at 4231 Main Street for a welcoming celebration. Many well known faces came to wish them prolonged success and to offer their support.

All of Kansas City applauds their opening, and Southmoreland is proud to welcome Sharon Blevins and her associates to our neighborhood.

CRIME PREVENTION UPDATE

The time is approaching when the residents of Southmoreland will be able to see visible results of our crime prevention efforts. Neighbors have gathered together, petitions have been signed, and block watch signs have been ordered for the 4000 block of McGee, 4300 blocks of Rockhill, Locust and Oak, and 44th Street between Oak and Rockhill.

To the residents and property owners of these blocks who have made the effort to see this program get off the ground, we are extremely grateful. For those who have not yet expressed an interest in reducing crime in our neighborhood through the block watch program, it is not too late to become involved.

While many may believe the posting of signs may be the end of their participation, it is really only the beginning.

First, the signs warning would-be criminals that we are watching out for them will not come to be unless the residents and property owners of these blocks donate the funds for the purchase of the signs. Please give generously when a concerned resident of your block asks for your contribution.

Second, although the posting of block watch signs has proven to be a deterrent to crime, the real benefits of the program come from involvement of the residents. Getting to know your neighbors, watching out for each other's property and reporting suspicious activities promptly to the police are the real keys to reducing crime in our neighborhood. Joining the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association is an excellent way to show your interest and concern.

If you would like to be a part of a block watch already formed in your neighborhood and don't know who to contact, or would like to start a program in your block or apartment building, please call Rachael Steele at 931-6099.

Southmoreland General Meeting

Tuesday, May 10th, 7:30 p.m.

Vanderslice Hall, Kansas City Art Institute

The speaker will be a representative from the Mayor's Anti-Arson Task Force.

Executive Meeting

Thursday, May 19th, 7:30 p.m.

Dennis Pierce's home, 4317 Oak Street

Arsonist Strikes Again

On Monday, April 11, the apartment building at 101 East 40th Street was set afire and destroyed at the cost of one life and eleven injuries. A week later, a former resident was taken into custody on suspicion of setting the fire.

Southmoreland residents were grateful to James Monahan of the Red Cross for coming to our general meeting the next night to give us more insight into the situation. The Red Cross will accept cash donations.

The Westport Reporter is giving material help to the victims and accepting donations on their behalf.

SUCH A DEAL!

Missouri Housing Development Commission has authorized 10% financing for first home buyers in the Southmoreland Neighborhood. Ask your realtor for details.

MAYOR OF WESTPORT

Robert Regan announced his candidacy for the Mayor of Westport at a news conference on Saturday, April 23.

Mr. Regan released plans for deputizing tax collectors for the Westport toll booths, digging a well for the Westport water system, establishing the bullet train from Crown Center to the Plaza with a stop in Westport, developing an airstrip on Southwest Trafficway and reviving the wagon trains from Westport out to the Kansas Territories.

For further information, contact Mr. Regan at 531-8937.

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MAIN STREET PARADE

Saturday, May 14th, 12:00 noon. The second annual Main Street Parade will travel from 36th to 47th on Main Street. There will be an awards ceremony and jazz bands after the parade at the park at 40th and Main. See you there, neighbor!



MAY 7 & 8: Harris-Kearney House Book, Plant & Bake Sale.

MAY 14: Main Street Parade.

MAY 21 & 22: Dedication of rooms at Harris-Kearney House.

MAY 22: Graduation Day at the Westport-Allen Center.

MAY 26: 10th Anniversary Westport Tomorrow, and Joe Shaughnessy, Jr. Award.

JUNE 4: Longfellow Homes Tour (Call 561-6004 if you'd like to help).

JUNE 5: Union Cemetery Tour.

JUNE 12: Westport Fashion Show.

ART INSTITUTE HAPPENINGS

The Kansas City Art Institute has awarded 111 Bachelor of Fine Arts degrees at the college's 98th commencement ceremony, which was held May 7 at the Atkins Auditorium, Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art. Artist William Christenberry addressed the graduates. The Southmoreland Neighborhood Association congratulates the Class of '83, and wishes them success in their chosen fields.

HISTORIC HOME FOR SALE

One of the most notable houses in the Southmoreland Historic District is the stately Greek Revival at 4325 Warwick Boulevard. The front of the house features a 25 foot portico with four two-story Ionic columns. Inside, similar columns separate the sunroom from the living room.

The house was designed in 1908 by architect J.H. Martling. The first long-term resident was Orlando V. Wilson who lived here from 1914 until his death in 1930. Mr. Wilson was president of the Ryley-Wilson Grocery Company, a director of New England National and Fidelity National Banks and a vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce. He founded the town of Salida, Colorado, and was its first mayor before moving to Kansas City.

The property was split into nine apartments by Lois Daniel, former editor of Westport Magazine, who owned the house from 1961-1981. The most recent owners were deconverting the house for use as their personal residence when they were unexpectedly transferred out of town. The house has been on the market for some time, but the asking price has come down. Any new buyer will have to continue deconverting the house.

BLACK CRAWLY THINGS!!!

Yep-you can tell it's spring. One of the first signs is stepped up activity of those black crawly things (sometimes red or brown) known as roaches. YUK!

With this "stepped up" invasion, "stepping on" doesn't always do the trick.

Here are some suggestions:

Keep floors, rugs and counters clean from food particles and grease.

Don't leave food out-especially overnight.

Dispose of cardboard boxes, newspapers, aluminum cans and garbage as quickly as possible.

Freeze your garbage until pick up day.

Spray and/or use traps frequently if you see any activity of roaches.

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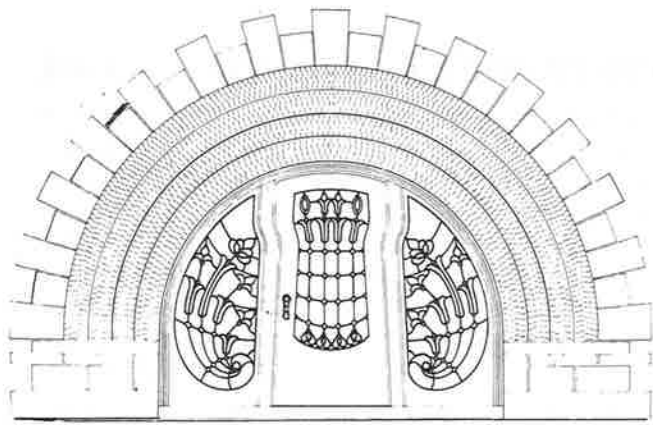
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June, 1983

Westport 150th

A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME EVENT

This year's celebration of the founding of Westport 150 years ago is a celebration of the opening of the American West and the founding of Kansas City. The old town ceased to exist in 1897 when annexed by Kansas City, but it continued as the City's most important residential suburb, became the site of business and institutional development, then declined and over the past ten years or more has been reborn. The modern community of five square miles, 32,000 people, and a vital location between Downtown/Crown Center and the Country Club Plaza/Homes District is central to the overall health of metropolitan Kansas City.

WESTPORT 150th CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, JULY 3rd: 150th Anniversary Kick-Off, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., Penn Valley Community College Campus, 31st and Southwest Trafficway. Sponsored by the Westport 150 Committee in cooperation with Penn Valley Community College and Westport Tomorrow. Day-long, free, outdoor festival with music, other performing arts, games, food, drink and lots more just for fun. Southmoreland volunteers call Suzi Lockett, 931-0308.

SUNDAY, JULY 17th: Westport vs. Independence Challenge, 3 p.m., Roanoke Park. Sponsored by Westport 150 Committee in cooperation with Westport Tomorrow, Independence neighborhood Councils, and Kansas City, Missouri Parks and Recreation Department. Softball and other contests renew the historic rivalry of the 19th century Missouri towns of Independence and Westport. Picnic to follow. Free.

ART INSTITUTE HAPPENINGS

Summer classes begin June 13, 1983.

Evening and Saturday classes are being offered in Graphic Design and Typography, Illustration, Ceramics, Painting and Drawing, Etching and Silk-screen, Basic Photography and Basic Video Production. The courses will last four weeks.

"Art Teachers Workshops" in Art History, Ceramics, Drawing and Painting — June 13 - June 24.

Call for more information, 561-4852, ext. 43.

47th Street to 39th Street, Main Street to Gillham/Rockhill Road

Southmoreland General Meeting Annual Southmoreland Picnic

Tuesday, June 14th, 6:30 p.m.
Southmoreland Park

Bring your neighbors and join us at the park. Meat and drinks provided. Bring covered dish and table service.

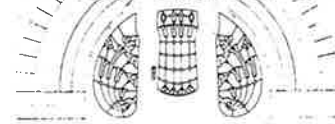
Executive Meeting

Thursday, June 16th, 7:30 p.m.
Ann Hayward's Home, 211 W. 51st Terrace

Welcome, New Members

Marty Justice
Richard Weidower
Darcy J. Wilkerson
Ed & Nadine Miller
Mark & Lynne O'Connell

Southmoreland Neighborhood Association Kansas City Cultural Center



May 19, 1983

Mr. Norman A. Caron
Chief of Police
1125 Locust Street
Kansas City, Missouri 64106

Dear Chief Caron:

The residents of Southmoreland are very concerned about the increasing problem of prostitution in Midtown and, in particular, the recent slayings connected with the prostitution trade.

At a time when Main Street is in the midst of commercial revitalization, we can think of no greater deterrent to reputable businesses locating in Midtown than the blatant presence of prostitutes and the threat of a rise in crime which so often accompanies the trade.

We are grateful for the decoy squad's efforts thusfar this Spring to discourage prostitution in the area and are very hopeful that these efforts will not only continue but be enhanced during the summer months. If there is any way the residents of Southmoreland or our neighborhood association can be of assistance in ridding Midtown of prostitution, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Dan Bowman, President

cc: Southmoreland Neighborhood
Association Newsletter

Thirty-ninth Street to Forty-ninth Street — Main Street to Gillham Road

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HISTORICAL RESEARCH

When researching the history of your house, the best place to start is the public library. For our neighborhood, the place to go is the main library downtown at 12th and Oak, specifically The Missouri Valley Room on the 3rd floor. The library is closed evenings and other convenient times, so you will have to plan ahead to fit your schedule to theirs.

On the open shelves in The Missouri Valley Room are the City Directories. This is an annual publication listing the name, address, and telephone number of everyone in the city. The older directories also show occupation. Finding the names of persons who lived in your house from the 1920's to the present is easy since the directories for these years include a section arranged by address.

Prior to the 1920's, the directories did not list by address, and your research will be more difficult. Take the oldest name you have and look for it in the alphabetical section of the older directories. Other names you find in your research can also be tracked this way.

The best way to find out when your house was built is to visit the permits section of the Water Department at City Hall. The original permit to hook up the water lines will be dated. The name of the person requesting the hook up will be shown on the permit. This name is frequently the plumber or builder, but may also be the architect or original owner. A check of the city directory will help determine whether this person lived in the house, but always check for a couple of years following the date on the permit since the house may not have been ready for occupancy at that time. In many cases, the water permit will have a site plan of the house on the back.

Those who possess the title abstract for their property can cross check the names of the owners against the city directories. Remember, the owners were not necessarily residents. Those who do not have abstracts can visit the Department of Records at the Jackson County Courthouse, downtown K.S. (Not the one in Independence.) Every time a property changes owners, it is recorded here. More importantly, these sales are indexed each year both by the name of the seller (grantor) and the name of the buyer (grantee). You can search the indexes until you find the name you already know and find the name of the other party. If you want, you can then ask to see a copy of the deed between the parties.

The Building Permits section of City Hall may also be of some help. While they do not have many of the old permits, they do still have most permits from the past few decades. These are interesting because they will tell you when alterations were made to the house.

NEWS FROM UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI- KANSAS CITY

JUNE CALENDAR

JUNE 14: Graduate Piano Recital—Floresa Penn, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

JUNE 17: Graduate Choral Concert—Peter Mathews, 7:30 p.m., Grace and Holy Trinity Church, 12th and Washington Sts. Free.

JUNE 17: Graduate Piano Recital—Doris Waggoner, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

JUNE 24: Graduate Voice Recital—Julia Harder, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

Main Street Redevelopment

A major redevelopment is planned for the 4400 block of Main Street. Linclay Corporation, which is headquartered in St. Louis, will begin construction of a 183,000 square foot office tower in September, 1983 on the north end of the Wishbone Restaurant site. Grading of the site will begin in July. The land will be grade so that access will be from Main Street. The office tower will be approximately 12 stories high with the exterior of concrete and glass.

The site plan includes two more office towers between 44th Street and the Wishbone property as well as a high rise hotel on the corner of 45th and Main. The hotel construction is planned for the summer of 1984. The other two office towers are planned for 1985 and 1986.

Parking will be provided within each of the buildings. The traffic plans will be designed to encourage the traffic to flow onto Main Street. The Conservatory is not included in the plan at this time.

The area from the Wishbone property to 44th between Walnut and Main will need to be rezoned to C-3. A hearing for the rezoning is scheduled for June 21, 1983 before the City Planning Commission in City Hall.

This is a very well planned development. It would be an extremely positive addition to the commercial strip on Main Street. Southmoreland welcomes this development to our neighborhood.

Recognition to 2 SNA Residents

Southmoreland recognizes Dennis Pierce and Ruth Allen for having been nominated as outstanding citizens of Westport for The Joseph B. Shaughnessy, Jr. Memorial Award.

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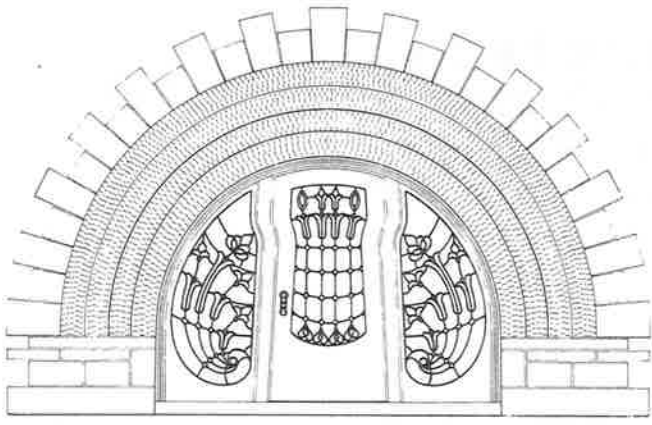
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A Walkin' & A Talkin'

A recent sidewalk chat brought up the concern of some of our neighbors about many violations and disregard for city ordinances: trash, loose dogs, pet droppings, motor repair on the streets, loud parties/abusive language, dangerous buildings and also crime. If you care enough to talk about your concerns then care enough to make the phone calls to report the violations. Our neighborhood is a strong community where the reports you make are taken seriously. The Association cares about all of our residents, but you must be active in this struggle to stop crime and abuse of the law and each other.



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July 1983

NEIGHBOR'S FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH LEASH LAW A TRAGIC LAPSE

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Dear Ann Landers:

Two weeks ago we buried our 4-year-old daughter. She was our only child and we cannot have another. Our darling little girl was attacked and killed by the neighbor's dog.

There is a leash law in our town, but our neighbors, like many others, paid no attention to it. The dog had to be destroyed, and so is our longtime friendship with the neighbors.

The insurance company will not pay the neighbor's claim because they failed to honor the leash law. That dog shouldn't have been off their property. The neighbors will have to handle the lawsuit on their own, which means they will lose their home. They are furious with us, but their daughter is alive and ours is dead. We would consider the loss of our home trivial compared with the loss of our precious girl, but naturally they don't see it that way.

Please, Ann, tell people who own dogs to obey the leash laws before a neighbor loses a child, and they lose their home.

- Karen's Mother in Middlesex

Dear Friends:

My heart aches for you and your neighbors, but not because they lost their home. Homes can be replaced, but they are destined to carry the guilt of Karen's death as long as they live.

Thank you for sharing your story. I urge everyone who has a dog to ask themselves: "Could this possibly happen to me?"

SOUTHMORELAND IN THE PARK

Our annual Southmoreland Picnic held June 14th in Southmoreland Park (of course!) was our monthly meeting, too.

Lou and Rachel Steele made and donated hamburger patties for the crowd. And everyone brought a dish of their favorite specialty.

John Kelley of J & G Market generously supported his neighborhood with drinks and ice. (We appreciate John Kelley and his continued involvement with Southmoreland.)

New members and many of the faithful regulars came to feast, talk and renew friendships. The weather was beautiful — which made for yet another successful Southmoreland event.

Southmoreland General Meeting

There will be no monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 12th. Instead we are having a birthday party that Monday. Please come!

Executive Meeting

Thursday, July 21 7:30 p.m.
Dan Bowman's Home, 4320 Rockhill Road

Welcome, New Members

John & Denise Ruth
John & Patricia Tubaugh
Kay & Kenneth Boehr

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**INVITES YOU TO A
BIRTHDAY PARTY
TO CELEBRATE
OUR
10TH YEAR
MONDAY NIGHT, 6:30 p.m.
JULY 11th, 1983
THE ALLEN'S SOUTH LAWN:
4307 WARWICK BLVD.
R.S.V.P. 931-4998**

Thirteenth Street to Forty-seventh Street — Main Street to Gillham Road

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HELPFUL HINTS FOR OUR NEW RESIDENTS

Trash: Sanitation department rules instruct people to not deposit bags containing trash and garbage at curbs before the day of the pick-up. Dogs and cats (and yes, we do have possum) are prone to tear plastic bags and scatter contents.

The Sanitation employees are not required to pick up scattered trash, discarded building materials, or tree limbs not bundled in less than four foot sections.

Trash in a littered condition is a violation of environmental protection agency regulations and persons responsible are subject to being cited for such violations.

Noise: There is a noise control program effective in our neighborhood. Call James R. Kusich, 274-1597 or the police department, 421-1500 (non-emergency) to make a report. This includes mufflers, loud parties, etc.

Block Parties: To obtain a permit, call 274-1625. A \$30.00 deposit is required for signs and barricades. But remember - the permit **does not** nullify other city ordinances concerning liquor, noise, fireworks, etc.

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NOTICE FROM COUNCILMAN JERRY RIFFEL AUGUST 2 ELECTION QUALITY OF LIFE

On August 2 voters will decide whether to support a five-year extension of the current half-cent sales tax for education and a half-cent increase for public improvements.

I sense in the neighborhoods of the 4th District a growing consensus that we must decide the priorities of Kansas City for the 1980's and 1990's. There are now four hundred and fifty thousand of us having decided to remain who must now decide what Kansas City is to become. Building that vision of a quality environment with good neighborhoods and a strong economy requires investment.

Take a hard look at your neighborhood and your community. If you like living here and want to maintain and improve the quality of life here, if you believe that Kansas City can and should have a bright future, I hope you will join Mayor Berkley, a united City Council, school leaders, and hundreds of residents who will be participating in preparing the education/public improvements proposal in saying "yes" to a better Kansas City by voting "yes" on August 2.

Councilman Jerry Riffel

NEWS FROM UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY

JULY CALENDAR

JULY 14: Violin Recital—Hillary Manley, 7:30 p.m. White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

JUNE 18: Voice Recital—Lisa Lee Sawyer, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.


JULY 19: Voice Recital—Daniel Paul Larson, 7:30 p.m., White Recital hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

JULY 21: Missouri Repertory Theatre—"Sea Marks", 8 p.m., July 21, 22, 23; 2 p.m., July 24, July 31 (2 & 8), Helen F. Spencer Theatre, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. \$9, \$13. Call 276-2704.

JULY 24: Percussion Recital—Raymond A. DeMarchi, 3:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

JULY 27: Voice Recital—Patricia Schultz, 7:30 p.m., White Recital Hall, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. Free.

JULY 28, 30: Missouri Repertory Theatre—"The Importance of Being Earnest," 8 p.m., Helen F. Spencer Theatre, Center for the Performing Arts, 4949 Cherry St. \$9, \$13. Call 276-2704.



A non-profit corporation dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Kansas City's historic buildings and early neighborhoods. This symbol comes from the distinctive Kansas City peaked roof of the 1880's.

For Immediate Release:
June 22, 1983

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471-3391

Architectural Survey

Historic Kansas City Foundation is conducting an architectural survey of Main Street and Broadway, building by building, from 47th Street north to 31st Street. We will be needing some volunteer assistance with photography and research during the month of July and the early part of August 1983.

Volunteers will be trained by an HKCF staff member, so you need not have any prior knowledge or experience in this area. Much of the research must be conducted during the weekdays as it involves looking up water permits and building permits in City Hall. Further research may be completed on weekends in the Missouri Valley Room at the Main Public Library, downtown.

The research is conducted in the hope of discovering the date of each building's construction, its builder, contractor, architect, original owner, and any other pertinent information available.

Research must also be conducted on the socio-economic history and development of the areas included in this survey.

If you are interested in helping out with this, or wish further information please contact Emily Woodward, Survey Coordinator at Historic Kansas City Foundation, 471-3391, Monday-Friday, 8-5 p.m. We appreciate your help and interest on this matter.

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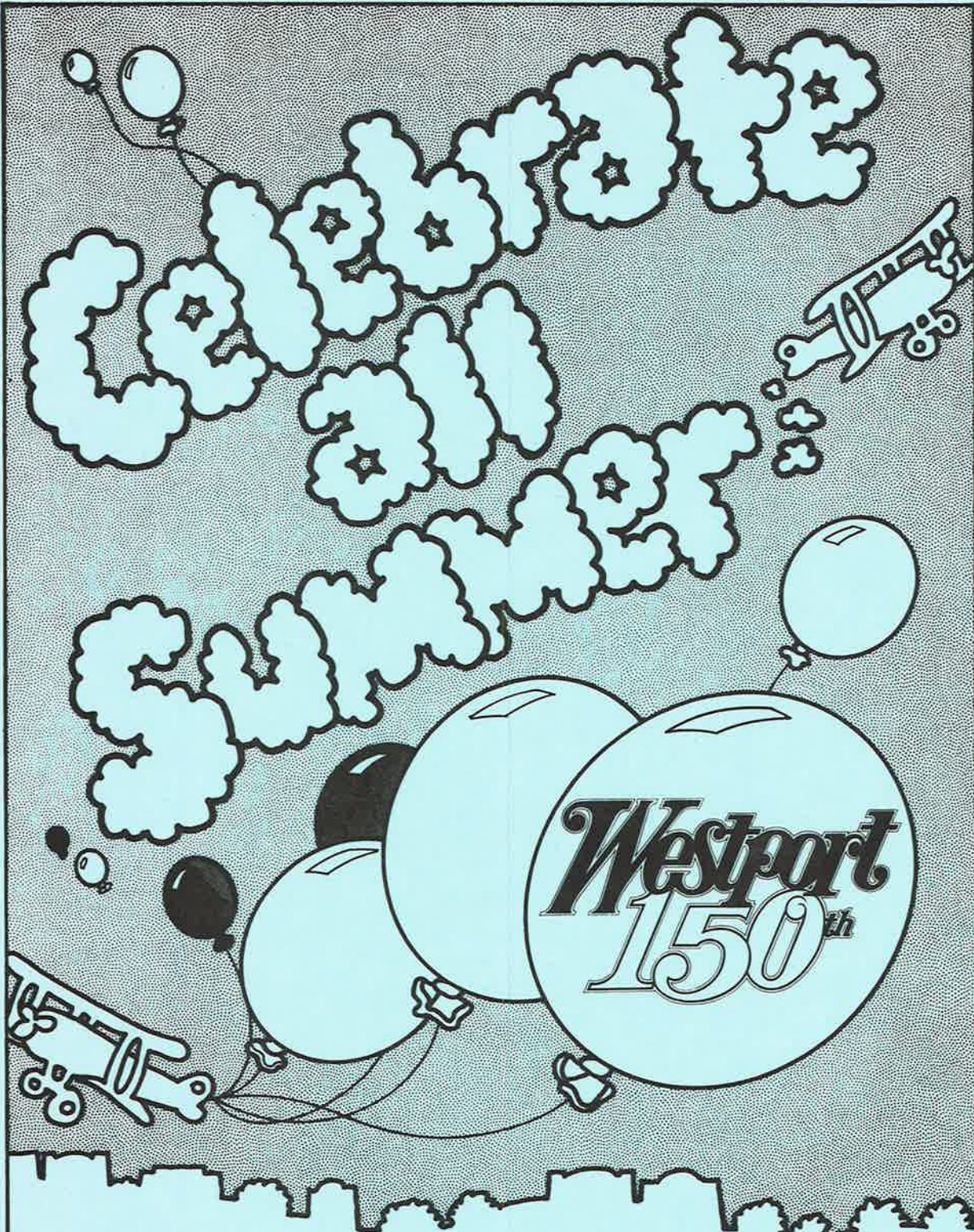
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WESTPORT'S BIRTHDAY PARTY JULY 3 • NOON - 11 PM

Penn Valley Community College • 31st & Southwest Trafficway

- * Entertainment *
- * Games *
- * Food *
- * Drink *
- * Music *
- * Booths *
- * Fire Trucks *
- * Birthday Cake *
- * Fireworks *
- * Worlds of Fun Characters *
- * Free Moonwalk *
- * Free Childrens' Finger Printing *
- * Free Dunk Tank (with politicians) *

FREE PARKING

32nd & Broadway
Penn Valley Parking Ramp

Childcare available
from 12-9

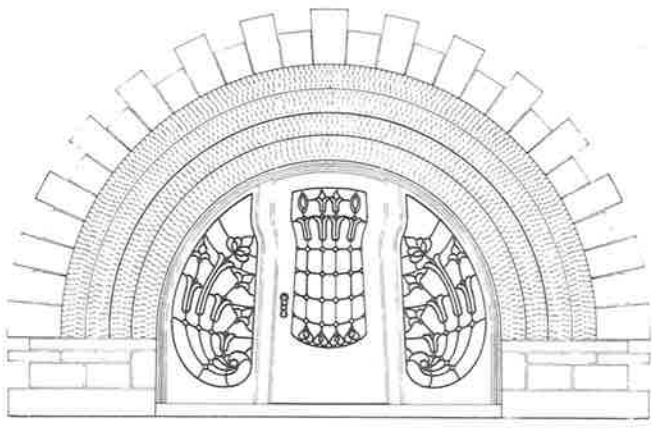
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SCHEDULE

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| <p>12:00 High Wheeler Bicycle Parade
New Games
Quinn Sisters Irish Dance</p> <p>12:30 High Wheeler Bicycle Race*
Steve Mathews - Storyteller</p> <p>1:00 Softball (Age - under 12)
Adult Bicycle Race (Age - 18 and over)*
Westport Ballet</p> <p>1:30 'Simon Says' & other games -
Fundamental Theatre
Youth Bicycle Race (Age - 12-17)*
Wally Leighton - Musician</p> <p>2:00 New Games
Kids Bicycle Race (Age - Under 12)*
Scandinavian Dancers</p> <p>2:30 Softball (Age - 12-16)
Svelte and Gangley - Mime, Juggling and
other nonsense</p> | <p>3:30 El Grupo Atotonilco - Children's Mexican
Folk Dancing
Old Favorite Games (3:00-6:00)
-Sack Races/Three-Legged Races/Water-Balloon Toss
-Pie Eating/Tug-Of-War/Bucket Contest/Softball Throw
-Watermelon Eating & Seed Spitting/Wheelbarrow Race</p> <p>3:30 Susan Sylvia Scott - Storytelling & Puppets</p> <p>4:00 Veselo Village Dancers
Softball (Adult)</p> <p>4:30 Gerald Trimble - Green Linnet Recording Artist</p> <p>5:00 Kansas City Community Opera Company</p> <p>6:00 Kansas City Jazz Band</p> <p>6:30 Ceremony and Birthday Cake</p> <p>7:00 Gary & Hamilton Kirkland - Musicians</p> <p>8:00 Street Dance - Dan & Pam of KLSI</p> <p>8:30 "Annie Get Your Gun" - Theatre Under the
Stars</p> <p>11:00 FIREWORKS</p> |
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*For pre-registration or information call Midwest Cyclery 931-4653



Southmoreland News

Kansas City Cultural Center

August 1983

Executive Meeting

Thursday, August 18 7:30 p.m.
Dennis Pierce's Home, 4317 Oak

Southmoreland Birthday Scores a 10

A festive celebration in honor of the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association (formerly Gillham-Main) was hosted by Mrs. Price-Wickersham and Colonel and Mrs. Arthur Allen, Monday July 11th, at 4307 Warwick. Their lawn, attractively decorated with balloons, flowers and tables of food and drink, provided a charming setting for the magnificent turnout of officers, members, neighbors and city officials.

Most of our past presidents attended and were proud that the Association has continued to be a success.

Special thanks to:

Phillip Heyl, the Hilton Plaza Inn, for providing the birthday cake for 200 people.

John Kelley, J & G Market, for donating champagne.

Bob Muehlebach, Westport Cash Saver, for donating paper plates and forks.

Jacques Bredius, for making the floral centerpieces.

Keith Rose and Dan Bowman, for supplying the balloons.

Colonel Arthur Allen, for donating champagne.

Congratulations to all the hard-working, enthusiastic people who have contributed to Southmoreland's success. Thank you for your dedication.

Southmoreland General Meeting Has Been Changed

Next Meeting
October 11, 1983

The Southmoreland Executive Board has decided to change the general meetings to a quarterly basis. This decision was made for the convenience of our membership. The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 11th, at Vanderslice Hall, Kansas City Art Institute.

Elections will be held at this meeting to select next year's officers and committee chairpersons. Anyone wishing to be considered as a candidate should make themselves known to Dan Bowman and attend the October meeting. Individuals are also needed to work on various committees during the year. These groups are expanding and each area needs special attention. Committees include newsletter, zoning, codes, crime, fund-raising and special events. Please come to the next general meeting and volunteer to help us in improving our neighborhood. YOU are important to us, and we do need your help.

More emphasis will be given in future general meetings to quality speakers and topics of importance to our neighborhood.

Executive meetings will continue to be held on the fourth Thursday of every month, and the newsletter will still be published on a monthly basis.

Once again, The Next General Meeting Will Be Tuesday, October 11th, 1983, 7:30 p.m. at Vanderslice Hall.

Now Available— Southmoreland T-shirts

Our neighborhood T-shirts are tastefully printed with our logo (the Mineral Hall doorway) on grey pullover T-shirts made of 50% cotton and 50% polyester. Sizes are available for adults at \$8.00 and children at \$5.00. Place your order and pick one up from Suzi Lockett (931-0308). Don't be the only one in your neighborhood without one!

Kansas City Art Institute 4415 Warwick Boulevard

Southmoreland welcomes all returning and new students for the 1983-84 school year at KCAI.

Watch for "Arts in Southmoreland" in this newsletter.

Southmoreland Neighborhood Association Officers

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Vice President: Cheryl Matthews
Secretary: Suzi Lockett
Treasurer: Ann Hayward

4320 Rockhill Rd.
420 E. 44th St.
4055 McGee
211 W. 51st Terrace

Hurray for Steve Gawle!

When Mrs. Edith Woods was injured last April it was Steve Gawle to the rescue.

Mrs. Woods, our regular newsletter carrier for the 4100 block of Walnut, could not make the rounds for several months. Steve Gawle, a 13 year old neighbor who attends the 8th grade at Westport Junior High School, volunteered to take over Mrs. Woods' delivery route. He also has been helping Mrs. Woods with other errands. Steve didn't expect - or ask - for any rewards or compensation. Someone needed help and he responded. He has been assisting Mrs. Woods all summer, and has taken the time to deliver our newsletter to his neighbors.

The Southmoreland Neighborhood Association is proud to award Steve a Southmoreland T-shirt for being a true volunteer and for showing all of us the stuff of which today's young people are made.

Thank you Steve, you are appreciated.

Southmoreland Targeted for Block Watches

At a recent meeting of the Westport Crime Prevention Commission, Southmoreland and Broadway-Gillham were selected as the next target neighborhoods to establish active block watches.

Being selected a target neighborhood means that Westport Tomorrow will be allocating resources and personnel to develop the Southmoreland block watch program. Several Junior League volunteers have been trained to facilitate block watch organizing and will be available to coordinate meetings.

Volker and West Plaza neighborhoods were the first targets of this two-year program funded by numerous foundations, organizations and the Junior League of Kansas City, Missouri. To date, over 80 block watches have been formed in these and other Westport neighborhoods.

Block watches are effective in reducing crime. The neighborhood leadership worked hard to obtain the support of Westport Tomorrow and the Junior League in this project, and it would be a shame if all blocks in Southmoreland did not take advantage of this opportunity.

While the project will not get into full swing in Southmoreland until later this summer, it is not too early to call Nicole Standish, Project Coordinator, Westport Tomorrow, at 753-2611 to express your interest in forming a watch on your block. Don't wait for one of your neighbors to initiate the call as it may result in no active watch on your block.

Southmoreland News Staff

Southmoreland News wishes to thank Pat Kroll for his contribution of articles and time involved in getting the newsletter to the typesetter and printer for the past two years. Pat has earned his retirement from the newsletter, but we hope to still see some occasional articles from him.

Replacing Pat is Suzi Lockett who has been writing the newsletter for the past year and a half. Suzi will now write, edit and typeset for printing the Southmoreland News. Consumer Printing will continue to do a great job of printing.

Suzi also delivers the newsletter to the carriers who volunteer their time to see that everyone receives their monthly newsletter.

Many residents contribute articles to the newsletter on a regular basis. Rachael Steele on crime, Dennis Pierce on history and architecture and George Armstrong with excerpts from the City Ordinances are three outstanding contributors. Now we wish to welcome Connie Craft as special feature writer to our staff.

Writing for a newsletter is fun and rewarding. Wouldn't you like to be a part of this great team? Let us know - your comments and ideas are always welcome. Please submit any articles, comments, suggestions or ideas to Suzi Lockett, 4055 McGee, Kansas City, Mo 64111.

Application for Membership in the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association

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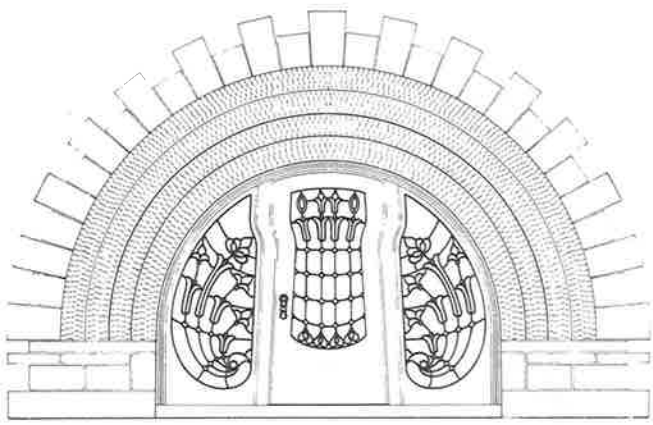
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Please mail to Ann Hayward, Treasurer, 211 West 51st Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64112.

Westport Rape Prevention

The Metropolitan Organization to Counter Sexual Assault (MOCSA) and Westport Tomorrow will conduct a seminar on rape prevention Monday night, August 15th, 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Church, 41st and Main. A movie will be shown: "Rape Without Violence". Bring a friend - everyone is invited.



Southmoreland News

Kansas City Cultural Center

September, 1983

Executive Meeting

Thursday, September 16, 7:30 PM
Rachael Steele's Home, 4330 Rockhill Rd.

Mark October 11 on Your Calendar

The October general meeting of the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association is one you won't want to miss. Nichole Standish, Coordinator for the Westport Neighborhood Crime Prevention Project, will be talking with us about how Westport Tomorrow and the Junior League of Kansas City, Missouri, can help us get block watches started throughout Southmoreland.

You may have already seen several block watch signs posted in our neighborhood. A special thanks to Dennis Pierce and Dan Bowman for placing these signs on the 4300 Block of Rockhill Road, and to Dennis for putting them up in front of the Aftons Apartments and on the 4300 block of Oak Street.

Crime Alert!

Officer Cheryl Fugate of the Metro Patrol Division asks Southmoreland residents to be alert to telephone calls from a white male identifying himself as a Kansas City Police Department Sergeant, using the number from a stolen badge. The caller has made several telephone calls to elderly women in Kansas City telling them that the Police have arrested a burglary suspect, and he has reason to believe she is the next victim. The caller asks the woman to gather her jewelry so he can pick it up and take it to the Police Department to mark the valuables for proper identification.

The Kansas City Police Department does not pick up valuables for this purpose nor do they come to your residence and mark property for identification. Engravers are available through the Police Department should you wish to mark your personal possessions for identification should they be stolen.

Should you receive a call of this or any other suspicious nature, do not hesitate to call 911 or Police Headquarters at 421-1500.

Southmoreland Welcomes the New Floralart Shop to the Neighborhood.

We wish to welcome Bill and Ben Russell, the new owners of the Floralart Shop at 3937 Main. Since they started face-lifting at the shop July 1st, everyone has noticed the changes. From the windows one can see an air of respectability in keeping with the standards of the Neighborhood. It has become apparent that we really have a first class florist's shop.

The Russells have been florists since 1956. Their Floralarts include fresh flowers (with cash & carry specials), green and blooming plants, wall hangings, helium balloon arrangements and stuffed animals.

Floralart hours are Monday — Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM and Saturday, 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Yes, Floralart does deliver.

Call soon, or stop by to say hello.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL MERCHANTS . . .

They are here to serve you!

Southmoreland T - Shirts

A new shipment has just arrived of classy, wear anywhere, Southmoreland t - shirts. Your new shirt is made of 50% cotton and 50% polyester for comfort and long wear. These shirts are moving quickly - so should you. Call Suzi Lockett, 931-0308!!

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Southmoreland Resident Elected Vice-President of Westport Tomorrow

Lou Steele, 4330 Rockhill Road, was recently elected vice-president of the Board of Directors of Westport Tomorrow. Lou has served on the Board for two years. He was instrumental in instigating a Westport - wide energy project to aid residents in their fight to control the cost of energy. During the past year, he has served as fund-raising chairman for Westport Tomorrow.

Westport Tomorrow serves fifteen neighborhoods, including Southmoreland, and nine business associations from 31st Street to Brush Creek Boulevard on the north and south, and Troost Avenue to State Line Road on the east and west. Thanks, Lou, for your continued efforts on behalf of Westport residents and businesses.



Southmoreland Welcomes the Following **New Members**

Michael & Connie Barnett
 Dr. J. Richard Belanger
 Mark R. Burge
 Myrna M. Dean
 Cindy Draney
 Jerry E. Fordyce
 Lea Harbour
 Ruth Harbour
 Karen Harrell
 Keith Harryman
 Mary Kathleen Harte
 John F. Herbst, Jr.
 Donna D. Kruse
 Brian Lingham
 I. J. Mnookin
 Vernon A. Paschel
 Rush Rankin
 Robert A. Richards
 Joe Rogers
 Barbara Rues
 Stephen & Elizabeth Sowards
 Larry F. Tommer
 Lorna Wright

And the Saga Continues — Celebrating Westport's 150th

Friday - Sunday, September 9 - 11

Art Westport '83, on Pennsylvania south of Westport Road.
 Saturday and Sunday, September 10 - 11

Veranda Sale, Harris - Kearney House, 4000 Baltimore.
 Benefit for Harris - Kearney House restoration.

Saturday and Sunday, September 17 - 18

11:00 AM to 6:00PM daily, Hyde Park Festival, Janssen
 Place (start). Homes Tour and Neighborhood Fair.

Saturday, September 24

9:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Valentine Fall Festival. Music, arts
 program, walking tour, carnival and garage sale. Call Donna
 Wallin, 561-2003. to rent space.

Saturday, September 24

Open House at Westport - Allen Center, 706 West 42nd
 Street.

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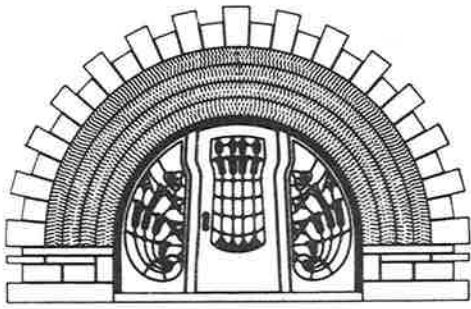
News from the Nelson

Creative Arts Center - Fall classes

Weekday classes for preschool age children begin September 6.
 Saturday classes for children through age 18 begin September
 10, and run through November 5.
 Call the Education Department, 561-4000, extension 236.

Art History Course

Section I to meet on six successive Thursday afternoons
 beginning September 22.
 Section II to meet on Saturday mornings starting September
 24.
 Phone 561-4000, extension 239.



Southmoreland News

Kansas City Cultural Center

October, 1983

GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, October 11, 7:30 PM
Vanderslice Hall
Kansas City Art Institute

The following events are scheduled for our October meeting:

Our main speaker will be Connie Hesler, project chairperson for crime prevention as funded by the Junior League of Kansas City.

Lou Steele will give a presentation on Patricia Miller's book: "Westport: Port of Many Returns".

Election of officers for 1983-1984. Be sure you have paid your dues for this year so that you can vote. Ann Hayward will be on hand to accept dues from renewing and new members.

Southmoreland T-shirts will be on sale.

Refreshments will be served.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Thursday, October 20th 7:30 PM
Suzi Lockett's home
4055 McGee

PRIDE IN SOUTHMORELAND

T-Shirt sales are booming because our residents are proud of their neighborhood and are eager to display this pride by wearing our beautiful shirts.

Made of 50% cotton and 50% polyester, black lettering on grey, the logo of Mineral Hall with the words: "Southmoreland Neighborhood Association - Kansas City Cultural Center" really makes these shirts a desirable item.

Special art work was silk screened by **Pete Laumeyer** of Shirts 'N Things, 4119 Pennsylvania (in Westport) 531-6327. Pete is a conscientious merchant who has done a marvelous job on our T-shirts, and has earned the affectionate title of "friend".

Available sizes are extra large, large, medium and small in adult, and 6-8 and 10-12 in children's.

T-shirts will be on sale at the General Meeting October 11th, and are always available by giving Suzi Lockett a call at 931-0308.

POSTSCRIPT

Our neighborhood has enjoyed hosting the Westport Post Office this past year while their permanent site was being remodeled. According to Wilbur Ellis, manager of stations and branches, the remodeling is nearly completed and the office will be moving back to their building on Westport Road in mid-October. We have enjoyed the convenience of their location and services, but really look forward to the many features that the new facility will contain for all of Westport. It was our pleasure to accommodate them for this interlude.

SUCH A DEAL

The Department of Parks and Recreation will again be giving away bulbs and perennials on October 15th. These plants and bulbs are surpluses that result from the annual thinning of the flower beds in our city's parks. Check newspapers and radio for announcements or call 363-7800 and ask for the Greenhouse.

OCTOBER IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH

If you are already a member of the neighborhood association, it's time to renew your membership. If you aren't, why don't you join us in working for neighborhood improvement and better relations between all members of our community. The Southmoreland Neighborhood Association is dedicated to improving the quality of life in Kansas City - particularly in our neighborhood. But we can't do this without your help - both financial and in ideas and participation.

The cost to join is minimal, and is tax deductible. Please fill out the application, pay your dues and come to our next meeting to contribute your ideas along with those of your fellow concerned citizens.

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DON'T DO IT ON McGEE

Thanks to George Armstrong and Mike Ross, the block watch signs are now up on the 4000 block of McGee. The block captains here are adamant about reporting disturbances and suspicious activities or persons, so it would be best for the criminal element in our community to take their business elsewhere.

YOUR BLOCK IS NEXT

Current organized block watches formed within the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association are:

4000 McGee
4300 Rockhill
4300 Oak
4300 Locust
44th Street: Rockhill to Locust
The Afftons Apartments on 43rd

Do you want an active crime watch on your block? Call Rachael Steele at 931-6099. Also, make an effort to be at the general meeting October 11th for more facts.

GOOD NEWS

Congratulations to John and Nancy Lowery on the birth of their daughter, Sidney Clara.

Wedding congratulations to Matt Hale and Jackie Kieman Hale.

DOES THE "NEWS" GET TO YOU?

Each month our devoted carriers hand deliver your newsletter. There are some areas that are being missed because of a shortage of carriers or lack of access to a building.

New carriers who have recently volunteered are:

Bill Foster: 105-107 E. 40th St. (The Elmore Apartments).

Barbara Rues: 41st to 43rd on Oak Street.

Carolyn McDill: Main to McGee on 40th Street.

Cheryl Matthews: Oak to Rockhill on 44th and 45th; 4300 block of Locust.

Nancy Heugh: The Art Institute and the Nelson Art Gallery.

If you can spare thirty minutes once a month, call Suzi Lockett at 931-0308 and lend us, and your neighbors, a hand.

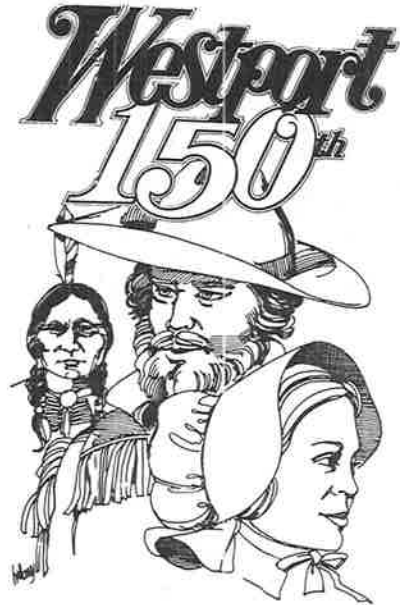
TO OUR WESTPORT NEIGHBORS

Congratulations to Hyde Park for another outstanding homes tour and to Valentine for a terrific festival.

Your successes are shared by us in publicizing that the Westport area is a wonderful place to live.

MOVIN' ON UP

The offices of Westport Tomorrow, Inc. will be moving November 1st. Currently located at 4000 Baltimore in the Harris-Kearney House, the diverse activities and community services which they provide have forced Westport Tomorrow to seek a large facility. Their new offices will be at 902 Westport Road (across from the Flea Market). The new location will afford them additional space and a meeting room.



CELEBRATING WESTPORT'S 150th

Finale: The conclusion of City Arts Celebration in Westport:
Friday, Oct. 7, 6-10 PM - All jazz, Pennsylvania at Westport Road.

Saturday, Oct 8, 11 AM to 10 PM - theatre, dance and live music. Westport Road, Southwest Trafficway to Main Street.

Saturday, Oct. 8 - Westport Living History, Broadway to Main Street along Westport Road.

Sunday, Oct. 9, Noon to 8 PM - Theatre, dance, jazz and ballet, Westport Road, Southwest Trafficway to Main Street.

RENTING & RAVING

Check with your insurance company about their rates to protect your household goods from fire, theft and damage. This is something you need to do for yourself - your landlord's insurance doesn't cover your belongings.

THANK YOU

We extend our thanks to Councilmen Mark Bryant, Robert Hernandez and Frank Palermo for their efforts on passage of the ordinance requiring local agents for absentee landlords. This will enforce better communications for all concerned.

WATER OUR THIRSTY TREES

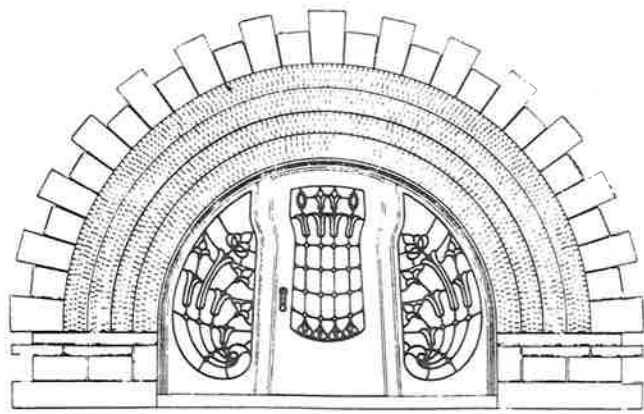
It is surprising how many property owners have failed to be concerned about the plight of our trees, especially along the parkways between sidewalks and curbs. A good soaking once a week could save them.

Due to budget constraints and manpower limitations we cannot expect the City to do this: Parks and Recreation's employees have had more than enough to do trying to save the plants on boulevards and in the parks.

It is easier - and in the long run, cheaper - to save a tree than it is to get a replacement planted by the City. The cost to water a tree all night at a trickle once a week for the entire summer is less than five dollars: a small price to pay for future shade and beauty.

It is recommended that watering be done during the evening hours, with low water pressure for an hour, or to allow water to run very slowly all night.

Our trees thank you and the neighborhood thanks you.



Southmoreland News

Kansas City Cultural Center

November, 1983

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, 7:30 p.m.

John Ruth's home

4134 McGee

SOUTHMORELAND ELECTS OFFICERS

In accordance with the by-laws of the Association, an election was held during our October General Meeting to select officers and committee chairpersons for 1983-84. The results were:

President:	Suzi Lockett
Vice-President:	Dan Bowman
Secretary:	Connie Craft
Treasurer:	John Ruth
Crime:	Rachael Steele
Newsletter:	Suzi Lockett
Special Projects:	Cheryl Matthews
Zoning/Redevelopment	Pat Kroll

The meeting was well attended, with the election and the evening's speaker - Ms. Connie Hessler of the Junior League of Kansas City, Missouri - providing a good drawing card. A special appearance was made by Bob Regan, Mayor of Westport, who gave a short speech emphasizing the important role that neighborhoods play by interacting with each other for the good of Westport and all of Kansas City. After the election was held, Ms. Hessler gave a well-received presentation on the Crime Prevention Program administered by Westport Tomorrow and funded by the Junior League.

Following Ms. Hessler's presentation was a discussion of old and new projects of the Association. Refreshments were served, and the meeting ended at 9:00 p.m.

TURNING IT ON

According to Robert Mabes, lighting supervisor of Kansas City Power and Light Co., keeping your front porch light on for twelve hours at night does not cost as much as you might imagine. A sixty-watt bulb costs approximately \$1.73 per month and a 100 watt bulb is approximately \$2.88 per month.

This seems to be a reasonable price to pay to light up your yard and the front of your house for your safety and that of your neighbors.

WESTPORT TOMORROW

Westport Tomorrow is a local not-for-profit organization active in promoting our community and providing support to other Westport organizations such as our neighborhood association. It prides itself in providing a forum for neighborhood, business and community problems and solutions. Commercial development, residential stability, public education, crime prevention and energy conservation are areas of current concern.

Contributions to Westport Tomorrow are fully tax deductible, **plus**, if you own a business, rental property or otherwise do business in Missouri, you are eligible for a 50% tax credit on your Missouri income tax. Consequently, it only costs you \$20-30 to give \$100 to Westport Tomorrow.

Why should you support Westport Tomorrow? The funds that they receive are used to assist the neighborhoods within the Westport area, of which Southmoreland is one. The money you contribute will, in part, come back to our neighborhood with the assistance of a staff of professionals to help us in bettering the area in which we live.

If it is not possible for you to make a cash contribution to Westport Tomorrow, we have another alternative: In October, Westport Tomorrow was licensed to raise funds through bingo games. They have joined with three other organizations in sponsoring these games at Party House Bingo, 510 East 31st Street.

This sponsorship is on a rotating basis, so if you like to play bingo, give Westport Tomorrow a call at 753-2611 to find out the next night that they're the sponsor. You can contribute to a good cause and have a good time, all at the same time.

If you don't like to play bingo, you could volunteer to help by working the game one night. Call Nichole Standish at 753-2611 for details.

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Vice President:	Dan Bowman	561-3742
Secretary:	Connie Craft	931-9126
Treasurer:	John Ruth	756-3257

Committee Chairpersons

Crime:	Rachael Steele	931-6099
Newsletter:	Suzi Lockett	931-0308
Special Events:	Cheryl Matthews	753-7568
Zoning & Redevelopment:	Pat Kroll	561-5381

WINTER IS COMING

A large number of people in our neighborhood are physically unable to clear snow and ice from their walks and driveways.

Mr. George Armstrong, an extremely active member of our neighborhood, has volunteered to act as a clearing house for those who need assistance in removing nature's bounty, and those who would be willing to help.

Anyone willing to shovel snow for a reasonable price, or anyone who needs some help getting the snow cleared from their property - give Mr. Armstrong a call at 531-1824.

AN EDITORIAL COMMENT

The most reasonable price would be

FREE

Those in our neighborhood who most need your help are those who are least able to pay for it.

What is a neighborhood? One definition is "an area whose residents live together in a neighborly manner".

So what's neighborly? According to the dictionary, "of, relating to, or characteristic of congenial neighbors".

Doesn't that sound nice? Congenial neighbors. Friendly people, living next to each other.

Why don't we put that into action. This winter when you are shoveling your walks, why don't you look around and see who needs your help. Better than that, why not go and ask? Everyone will benefit: The person you help will know that some cares; you will have cared for someone; and we'll all have clean sidewalks to walk on.

CITY ORDINANCE

SECTION 30.104

Removal of Ice and Snow

It shall be the duty of all persons owning or occupying any real property, fronting upon any street, boulevard or highway, to remove from the sidewalks in front and alongside of such property all ice and snow within a reasonable time after cessation of a storm depositing such ice and snow.

Section 16.71

Penalty

Any person violating any of the provisions of this article shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be subject to a fine of not less than one dollar (\$1.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

AREA RESIDENT OPENS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Tricia Espinosa says to bring your Bible, dress casually and meet on Mondays and Fridays at 7:30 p.m. Call 561-3684.

ARTS IN SOUTHMORELAND

The Kansas City Art Institute will hold their 38th annual **Fireside Auction and Sale** on Saturday, November 12, at Vanderslice Hall, 4415 Warwick Boulevard. Booths will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and the auction will start at 10:00 a.m.

This is an annual project in support of the KCAI Scholarship Fund.

Luncheon will be available. The auction is open to the public, and there is no admission charge.

WHO DO I CALL?

Here are some numbers to call when you have a question or problem:

EMERGENCIES: 911

Other Assistance

Police (non-emergency)	421-1500
Fire (non-emergency)	842-2121
Action Center (city related questions, problems, and complaints)	274-2222
Power failures	556-2000
Animal Control (loose dogs, cruelty to animals)	861-0123
Car pool information	842-RIDE
City Hall (main switchboard)	274-2000
Federal Information Center	374-2466
Missouri State information	274-6011
Recycling information	474-TEAM
Street & sewer repairs (emergencies and nights)	274-2463
Trash collection (questions, problems, large item pickup)	274-1811
Water service (emergencies and nights)	274-1256
Water service (turn-ons, turn-offs, bills)	221-6505
Westport Tomorrow	753-2611

BECOME A FRIEND OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD

We are naturally eager to have everyone who works, lives or owns property in the neighborhood to become Association members. However, if you are interested in supporting the good work of Southmoreland but do not meet the residency requirements, we have a new way for you to participate: Be A **Friend of the Neighborhood**. This is a non-voting membership that allows our friends outside the Southmoreland area to support our efforts toward community betterment. Your donation is tax-deductible as we are a 501(c)(3) organization.

To join the Association, as a friend or a regular member, please fill out the application below, make out a check to the "Southmoreland Neighborhood Association" and mail to John Ruth, Treasurer, 4134 McGee, Kansas City, MO 64111. Thank you.

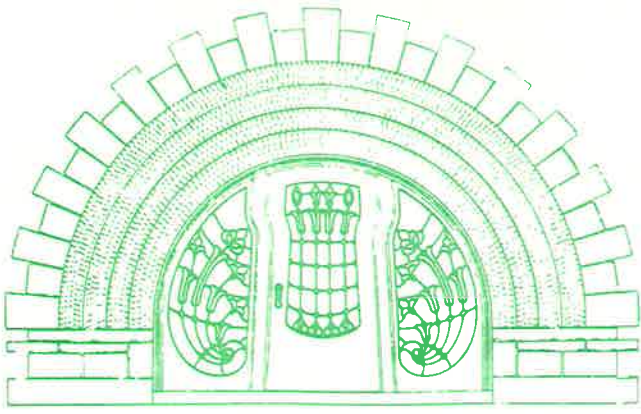
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Name _____
Address _____ Apt. _____
Phone _____ Zip _____

Please indicate:

Tenant (\$3.00) _____ Owner (\$5.00) _____
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Institution (\$25.00) _____ Merchant (\$25.00) _____
Friend of the Neighborhood _____ (\$ _____)

Do you wish to be listed in the directory? _____



Southmoreland News

Kansas City Cultural Center

December, 1983

Southmoreland Christmas Meeting

Wednesday, December 14th 7:30 p.m.

Vanderslice Hall
Kansas City Art Institute

Make a special note that for this month **only** we are to get together on **Wednesday** instead of Tuesday. Vanderslice Hall was not available on our regular meeting night. However, Mike Strawn, of KCAI, felt that it was important for us to have our Christmas Meeting there and he let us have Wednesday, December 14th.

Your Executive Board, Chairpersons and Committee members will be providing decorations, wine, punch and their specialties of edibles. Please bring a holiday dish yourself and participate in a Southmoreland Gastronomical Holiday event.

John Ruth, Treasurer, will be at the door to assist you in renewing your membership. Southmoreland T-shirts will be available for \$8.00 in adult sizes and \$5.00 in children's sizes.

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Door Prizes

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There will be two \$10.00 door prizes given away at the Christmas meeting.

Please come and share the holiday spirit with your neighbors. We look forward to seeing you on **Wednesday** December 14th.

Executive Meeting

The Executive Board will meet briefly at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 14th just prior to the General Meeting at Vanderslice Hall.

New Friends

We wish to thank the following merchants for their donation to the Southmoreland Neighborhood Association:

- Shirts 'N Things
- Hyde Park Cakes & Pastries
- BTI Typeset

We welcome them as **Friends of Southmoreland**.

Give Me A Break!

In a recent poll of twelve restaurants in and around the Southmoreland neighborhood it was discovered that the following four had some type of discount available to senior citizens:

McDonald's - 38th and Broadway:

Golden Arches Club - age 60 and over. Card to be used at this location for free regular size soft drink or hot drink with purchase of large sandwich or breakfast entree. In addition, monthly activities are held for club members.

Hardee's - 41st and Main:

Senior Salute - age 60 and over. 10% discount on any item, but not in conjunction with other coupons. Also honors Missouri Silver Senior Citizens Card.

Gunter's Bistro - 303 Westport Road:

Honors Missouri Silver Senior Citizens Card, which is a 10% discount.

Sam & Sally's Nu-Way Fish & Chips - 24 E. 39th St.

Honors Classic Cards - obtainable through Laurel Bank - 10% discount. The Classic Card is available to those 55 and over who have any type of account with Laurel Bank that earns interest. Additional features of the card are trips, lodging and car rental discounts.



Arts in Southmoreland

The New Directions Theatre Company

"Much Ado About Something". Friday, December 16th, 7:30 p.m. Conover Auditorium, All Souls Unitarian Church, 45th & Warwick. Donation \$5.00.

Let's Do It!

On November 15th, the Westport-Main Businessmen's Association asked Southmoreland to start making plans for participation in the third annual Main Street Parade. It is not too soon to formulate ideas and initiate preliminary preparations for this late spring event. Please contact any Association officer or committee chairperson, give them your ideas and suggestions, and let's get the ball rolling.

Excerpt from House Bill No. 29

Section 1.

1. After January 1, 1984, every person transporting a child under the age of four years residing in this state shall be responsible, when transporting such child in a motor vehicle operated by that person on the streets or highways of this state, for providing for the protection of such child. When traveling in the front seat of a motor vehicle the child shall be protected by a child passenger restraint system approved by the department of public safety. When traveling in the rear seat of a motor vehicle the child shall be protected by either a child passenger restraint system approved by the department of public safety or the vehicle's seat belt. When the number of child passengers exceeds the number of available passenger positions, and all passenger positions are in use, remaining children shall be transported in the rear seat of the motor vehicle. The provisions of this act shall not apply to motor vehicles registered in another state, or to a temporary substitute vehicle.

2. Any person who violates this section is guilty of an infraction and, upon conviction, may be punished by a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars and court costs.

3. The provisions of this act shall not apply to any public carrier for hire.

Zoning Violations

On October 20, 1983, Mr. Frank S. Jennings was found to be in violation of the R-2 zoning law on three of his properties. Judge Nigro of the Kansas City Municipal Court fined Mr. Jennings \$25.00 and gave him a ten day suspended jail sentence for each of three violations. Mr. Jennings was given six months to deconvert 4328 McGee, one year to deconvert 4315 Warwick and eighteen months to deconvert 206 E. 44th Street.

Mr. Jennings had been sent a Notice of Zoning Violations on November 17, 1982. On December 6, 1982, a summons was served for his first court appearance. The October 20, 1983 date was Mr. Jennings' seventh court date. Concerned neighbors attended each of the scheduled court appearances. The process is long and slow but the end result is for the improvement of the neighborhood, and consistent with the Neighborhood Association philosophy of enforcing code and zoning regulations in Southmoreland.

Mr. Jennings pleaded not guilty to the charges. There is a move to appeal the decision to the Jackson County Circuit Court.

Bingo

Tuesday, December 6th is the night that Southmoreland will send volunteers to assist Westport Tomorrow with Bingo at The Party House, 510 E. 31st Street from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

In addition, following is a schedule of the nights that Westport Tomorrow participates in Bingo:

- Monday, December 12
- Sunday, December 18
- Tuesday, January 3
- Monday, January 9
- Sunday, January 15
- Wednesday, January 25
- Tuesday, January 31

To volunteer, call Nicole Standish at Westport Tomorrow, 753-2611. Or, to lend Westport Tomorrow a hand, play bingo on one of the nights when they are the sponsoring organization.

Holiday Crime Prevention Tips

The Metro Patrol Division wants the residents of Southmoreland to have a safe holiday season and offers these tips for shoppers:

1. Lock purchases in the trunk of your vehicle if possible or at least cover them to make items unobtrusive.
2. Whenever possible, travel in pairs or with groups of shoppers. Avoid dark areas.
3. Keep purses, billfolds, etc. in your possession and their contents out of other's view. Protect your credit cards.
4. Lock your vehicle!

At home, always lock your doors and close garage doors. Maintain normal lighting, and, if you plan to be gone for a weekend or longer, ask a relative or neighbor to alter your lighting pattern. While they're at it, have them bring in your mail, newspapers, etc. Try to keep your gifts out of plain view from the outside, and conceal packages in several areas of your home.

Thieves take no holidays, so be your keeper - and your neighbor's!

Happy Holidays

Southmoreland wishes you and your families happy holidays and a prosperous new year.



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Southmoreland Neighborhood Association Officers

President: Suzi Lockett 931-0308
Vice President: Dan Bowman 561-3742
Treasurer: John Ruth 756-3257

Committee Chairpersons

Crime: Rachael Steele 931-6099
Newsletter: Suzi Lockett 931-0308
Special Events: Cheryl Matthews 753-7568
Zoning & Redevelopment: Pat Kroll 561-5381

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