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 VIEWS FOR GILLHAM - MAIN
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The Gillham Main
 Newsletter

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PORCH LIGHTS

Crime is a concern to persons throughout Kansas City. The kind of crime that concerns many people is home break-ins (Apartments or houses) or street robberies.

These kinds of crimes occur most often in poorly lighted areas.

In general the Gillham Main area has adequate street lighting.

However, many homes have their porches or yards sheltered by desirable trees and bushes. These provide shade, beauty, and so forth. They can also conceal what is happening around your homes.

GILLHAM MAIN STRONGLY RECOMMENDS:

- (1) Leave a light on at the front door of anytime you go out at night & consider leaving it on all night long every night. Cost is about 2¢ a night.
- (2) Always leave a light on in your home whether you are there or not - this discourages prowlers.
- (3) Consider more lights than just at your front door.

Meeting Report

At our December meeting we had several guests attending:

City Councilman Joe Shaughnessy discussed Community Development Revenue Sharing. He also discussed the proposed Warwick Blvd. project, and the proposed changes in Westport area zoning.

State Senator Harry Wiggins stopped by to announce that (1) He will open an office within his district; (2) Aides will be available 12 months of the year and he will be when the Senate isn't in session; & (3) he will publish a newsletter for his district.

Mayme Conley, president of the City Wide Coalition of Neighborhoods was present to meet the group and encourage participation in C.W.C.N.O. committees by representatives of member groups.

Keith Zeff-City Planner-explained in detail the rezoning proposals as they affect the Gillham Main area.

WHAT IS A NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION?

We are residents - some tenants and some property owners.

We are absentee property owners.

We are owners of businesses and persons employed within our area.

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn. is a group of people concerned about the past, present, & future of our area: 39th to 45th Streets, Main St. to Gillham Road.

We do not always agree...some of our interests differ, but together our concerns blend to form a feeling of community, a feeling that this is OUR neighborhood.

The tenants need a place to live and the landlords need their units occupied for a return on their investment.

The residents need a place to shop and the businesses need residents to buy their goods and services.

We are concerned about public safety, animal control, enforcement of existing building & zoning codes, noise control, loans, schools, plans being made for our area, public transit, city services, good stores to shop in, and many other issues.

Together through our Association we make our concerns and hopes for our area known to city, county, state, and regional governments and agencies.

G.M.N.A. represents our area through the Association's memberships in: The City Wide Coalition of Neighborhoods; The Westport Community Council; The Westport Plan Commission; & the Broadway Westport Community Development Corporation.

We are here because we think that Gillham Main is a good place to be. We hope you think so too.

You are invited to attend our meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

Gillham Main wants more members. Attendance at meetings is FREE. Voting memberships are \$1 a year. Mail your check to: Norma Rickel - Treasurer 315 E. 43rd Street K.C., Mo. 64111

Bring a friend to the meeting with you.

...AND ON WINTER

The first snow of the winter caught many of us by surprize.

For the rest of the winter let us all try to clear our sidewalks.

...so the many children in our neighborhood can walk to school without falling down;

...so our older residents are able to walk safely to the store or the bus;

...and just so you don't have anyone fall on your walk (and sue you).

Will you join in being a good neighbor?

T H A N K Y O U .

PHONE NUMBERS TO SOLVE YOUR PROBLEMS
The ACTION CENTER 274-2222 is on the 1st floor of City Hall. This is the best place to ask questions or make complaints about city services.
JACKSON COUNTY OMBUDSMAN 881-3670. This is the Jackson County Office of Human Relations & Citizens Complaints. The Office is at 415 E. 12th St. Jackson County problems should be taken here.
M.I.R.C. (METROPOLITAN INFORMATION AND REFERRAL CENTER) 421-7980. Offices at Union Station. Information on every kind of problem. This operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week as a service of your United Fund donations.
CITY ANIMAL SHELTER 861-0123 at 4400 Raytown Road. Call here if your trash is being torn up & Call here if you are missing a pet.

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THE CITY PLAN COMMISSION HAS CONTINUED HEARING ON WESTPORT AREA REZONING TO ITS JANUARY 8th MEETING AT CITY HALL. Call 274-1844 for time & schedule information.

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This Month's Meeting

Tuesday, February 11 7:30 p.m.
at Rockhill Manor Hotel-4235 Locust
(Adequate parking on 43rd Street)

A G E N D A

- 7:30 Business Meeting
8:00 PROGRAM: The Kansas City Regional
Development Association - a way
neighborhoods can gain control of
their future.
9:00 Adjournment & refreshments.

The Kansas City Regional Development Association has been formed by a group of people from across the city & with the assistance of the City Wide Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations as one way neighborhoods might go to develop financial control of their own area's future.

There is similarity to the Farmer's coop - people joining together to share.

Attend this meeting and let members of the Executive Committee know how you feel about this idea.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

To fill vacancies as GMNA representatives to other groups, the Executive Committee sitting as the nominating committee suggests:

Julie Cooper, 4341 Locust as a delegate to the City Wide Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations.

Having voted to retain our membership in the Westport Community Council, the following two delegated are suggested:

Caron Wells, 4061 McGee

Carl Wilson, 4144 Warwick

These nominations will be presented to the membership at the February 11th meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

Membership in the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association is \$1 a year.

All residents, property owners, & business persons between 39th & 45th, from Main to Gillham are eligible to join.

Please do.

Dues may be paid at any meeting; to any officer; or mail to the Treasurer.

All members should have a copy of the Bylaws. If you don't have a copy please ask any officer at a meeting or call for a copy.

The Gillham Main Newsletter will be mailed to anyone who requests it and provides \$1.25 toward postage & envelopes.

Remember to save your old books for the Book Sale to be held this Spring to benefit our Westport Library 118 Westport Road.

VOTE

The primary election for Mayor and City Council positions is February 25th.

VOTE

The general election is March 25th.

VOTE

Call 842-4820 for voter information.

VOTE

CAN YOU IDENTIFY YOUR PROPERTY?

If your home was burgled could you identify your possessions if they were recovered by the police?

To have property returned by the police you have to prove that an individual item is yours not just something like yours.

Without an identification number or a record being kept of the serial number there is almost no way you can identify your property.

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association has an electric pencil engraver so persons residing in our area may mark & identify their personal property. Rental is 25¢ for 24 hours for members. Deposit is \$2.50.

Incidentally the statistics from the police department indicate that about 1 out of every 20 or 25 houses or apartments in our area may experience at least a minor burglary this year. That probably means at least one on YOUR BLOCK.

We strongly advise persons in the Gillham Main area to:

- 1) Participate in WHISTLESTOP;
- 2) Mark their property with identification numbers & record serial numbers;
- 3) Arrange with the Police Department for a free security check of their house or apartment (842-6525 ext. 245 or 246);
- 4) Notify the Police immediately of anything suspicious - HAL-1500.

Should Gillham Main lobby for an enforceable sidewalk clearing ordinance? So far this winter we know of two broken arms in our area as a result of slick sidewalks and unshoveled snow - one a child, one an older person.

Support our public mass transit - ride the Rockhill, 39th Street, & Country Club lines. Use is the best way to show support.

Recently the Gillham Main Newsletter has received items to be placed in the Newsletter from persons within the neighborhood.

We would like to continue this trend and encourage anyone with information to contact the editor (Walt Wells, 4061 McGee, 561-8981.). We welcome any kind of aid - writing, typing, delivering etc. ?

"FREE PAINT"

Persons who qualify will be able to receive free paint for their homes through the City Neighborhood Beautification Paint Up program. Gillham Main needs to form committees of 3 persons or more in each area which is a part of the paint-up project.

There are six areas in Gillham Main so we will need at least 15 volunteers. The areas are: Walnut, Warwick & McGee - 39th South; Oak to 43rd; Locust to 43rd; & 43rd to 45th, Oak to Rockhill.

For more information call Bunice Collins at 753-3763 or Walt Wells at 561-8981.

MEET the CANDIDATES

Take your choice of two nearby meetings to meet the candidates for the City Council from the 2nd & 4th Council Districts.

Monday, February 10 the WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL meets at Calvary Baptist Church, 3921 Baltimore at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, February 18 the HYDE PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION will meet at Central Presbyterian Church, 3501 Campbell.

The program will begin about 8 at both meetings. If you would like to attend either meeting and need a ride call 561-8981 or 753-3763 by the day preceding.

C O R R E C T I O N

The telephone number for MIRC is 421-4980 - 24 hour information & problem solving.

CHANGE IN MEETING PROCEDURE

Future GMA meetings except in unusual circumstances will follow this pattern:

- 7:30 Business Meeting
 - 8:00 Program
 - 9:00 Adjournment & Refreshments
- Special meetings & Executive Committee meetings will normally begin at 7:30. Follow a prepared agenda & end at 9:00. We hope this procedure will allow more people to participate in GMA meetings.

THESE PEOPLE REPRESENT US... Ask them your questions & give them your opinions:

- STATE SENATOR: Harry Higgins... 7520 Main... 444-5718
- STATE REPRESENTATIVE: James Baker... 104 E. 11st... 753-5842
- COUNTY LEGISLATORS: Ron Spradley... 415 E. 12th... 881-3374; Ted Newman... 415 E. 12th... 881-3132
- CITY COUNCIL: Richard Berkeley... 538 Locust... 274-1321; Joel Pelorsky... 421 W. Dartmouth... 274-1321; Joe Shaughnessy... 3668 Madison... 274-1321
- KANSAS CITY SCHOOL BOARD: Mary Roberson... 4011 Kenwood... 753-4875; Anne Blond... 1005 Valentine... 931-0555

Bring a friend with you to the meetings.

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GMA has begun a lending library of data for its members. Information on zoning codes, maps of the area, copies of the City Budget, reports, lists of people who serve on City Boards & Commissions & much more is available for you to look through at your home. Please call 561-8981 after 5:30 or on Saturday to make arrangements to borrow items. (Some items do require a deposit to check them out.)

The Future... For quite some time the members of the GMA Executive Committee have been talking about the kind of neighborhood we want to have in the future. In trying to make things better for all of us we have made many contacts. Your lists of priorities have served and will continue to serve as guidelines for actions. Up until now actions have been to solve today's problems. We must solve today's problems but to make a strong neighborhood we need to start planning for the future of our neighborhood... 10 years or 20 years from now. What do you want?... Parks? City Services more street lights; New homes on our vacant lots? The 1975-1976 City Budget is now being assembled. Contact your councilman & Gillham Main with your ideas.

Gillham Main is a good place to live. With your help it will remain a good place. Join the Rollins or Westport High patron's groups. You don't have to be a parent... your taxes help support the schools and strong schools are needed for a stable neighborhood. Support Scouting - David West (561-1423) needs some help from more adults to help the new cub scout groups in our neighborhood. If your Church is in or near our neighborhood, encourage it to become involved in promoting neighborhood stability. If your Church is in another area... encourage it to be active in its neighborhood. The Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn. would like your \$5 too. Membership - \$1 MAIL TO: Norma Rickett 315 E. 43rd Street K.C., Mo. 64111

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This Month's Meeting

MEET the CANDIDATES

Tuesday, March 11, 1975

Rockhill Manor Hotel - 4235 Locust
(Parking on 43rd Street)

A G E N D A

- 7:00 Business Meeting
- 7:30 PROGRAM: Candidates for Mayor & City Council have been invited.
- 9:00 Adjournment & refreshments (see below)

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE WHAT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD LOOKS LIKE

The first report to the neighborhood on this project will include:

- Aerial photos;
- Plat Maps;
- Photographs; etc.

All these and more will be shown before and after the March 11th meeting at Rockhill Manor.

Due to the weather & lack of a quorum at the February meeting, the following nominations must be voted on: Delegates to...

The CITY WIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COALITION

Julie Cooper

The WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Carl Wilson

Caron Wells

Additional nominations may be made from the floor.

The following letter was sent to all candidates for whom residents of Gillham Main can vote in the March 25th City Elections.

"The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association invites you to attend our monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 11th at Rockhill Manor -4235 Locust (43rd & Locust) and meet the residents of our Neighborhood.

"The format of the meeting will allow candidates for mayor, 4th District & all at-large seats to come briefly and then continue on to any other meetings they may have the same evening.

"At 7:00 there will be a business meeting.

"Beginning at 7:30 in the order of their arrival - each candidate will be allotted about 5 minutes to make a statement and/or answer questions. After all candidates present have spoken, questions may be asked of any of the candidates.

"Adjournment for coffee, etc. & discussion will be at 9 p.m.

"We hope you will be able to attend."

AND GILLHAM MAIN HOPES THAT NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTS WILL TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MEET MEMBERS OF THE FUTURE CITY COUNCIL.

Attention Voters

Over the next four years the City Council of Kansas City will make more decisions that directly affect you than any other government.

Water, sewers, streets, sidewalks, dogs, police, fire, health services, housing, zoning, parks, transportation & TAXES.

On March 25th those of you who vote will help determine who will be mayor - who will be the 4th District Council Member - & who will be the at-large Council Members.

REMEMBER - you are able to vote for EIGHT of the 13 members of the Council.

Under the Kansas City non-partisan form of government the two persons in each race in the primary with the most votes are chosen between in the general election.

From the following list of 16 persons you may vote for either one of each pair:

MAYOR: Charles Wheeler or Sarah Snow

4th DISTRICT: Richard Berkley

Shirley McCause

AT-LARGE

1st DISTRICT: J. Harold Hamil

Wesley Jennings

2nd DISTRICT: Ned Holland

J.R. (Joe) Serviss

3rd DISTRICT: Joanne Collins

Mamie Hughes

4th DISTRICT: Joel Pelofsky

Bruce Rodgers

5th DISTRICT: Leon Brownfield

Dorothy Davis

6th DISTRICT: Victor Swyden

Robert Johnson

VOTE

March 25

VOTE

NATIONAL HISTORICAL PRESERVATION WEEK

Westport will celebrate National Historical Preservation Week May 12 to 18. How should Gillham Main & its members participate?

Pass your ideas on to members of the GMNA Executive Committee soon - in fact call today.

We want your ideas.

There will be a book sale at Westport Public Library during Historic Preservation Week on Saturday, May 17th. Donate books now at the Library - 118 Westport Road.

Help support our Library.

Tentative plans have been made for the April 8 meeting of the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association to be a joint meeting with the Rollins PTA at Rollins School to see films and discuss ways in which the PTA & the Neighborhood Association could cooperate.

The Gillham Main Education Representative has resigned due to moving to Northeast. Anyone who would like to fill this position should contact any member of the Executive Committee.

The GMNA Executive Committee will meet March 27th, Thursday at 7:30 at 4040 Locust. Any Association member is welcome to attend.

Invitations have been extended to all candidates for the offices listed in this announcement. Due to the pressures of campaigning, it should be understood that it might not be possible for all of them to appear.

It's about time to start watching 41st & Gillham - a new swimming pool will begin taking shape in the near future. Maybe - we hope - it will be possible to have the new pool open on Sundays and Holidays when families can use the pool together.

Meeting Report

Enclosed with this month's Newsletter - which is being mailed to all members of record as of March 1, 1975 is a copy of a booklet explaining some of the concept & ideas presented at the February meeting.

We are sorry the bad weather made it difficult for many of you to attend. The program is now stimulating discussion and action in several directions; a neighborhood office, incorporation, more use of the schools, sharing contractors, etc.

The Kansas City Regional Development Association has some interesting ideas and for those who would like to hear more or who weren't able to attend because of the weather,

WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, March 10, at 7:30
at Salvation Army
500 West 39th Street
Joe Falk of the Kansas City Regional Development Association will discuss the formation of neighborhood cooperatives.

Gillham Main is a member of the Westport Community Council as are many of the area's residents ... The annual dues are \$2.

The Annual Meeting and election of officers will be May 12 at the Westport Roanoke Community Center. If you wish to have a part in the selection of Community Council leadership over the next year - now is the time to join either at a meeting or by sending your dues payment to Elizabeth Grimes, 3650 Jefferson.

The OPEN DOOR PROGRAM - a cooperative effort of the School District and the Park Department is now providing afterschool activities at Rollins for neighborhood children. In the coming sessions on Monday & Friday afternoons softball, arts & crafts, & piano lessons are included in the offerings.

For further information contact Joe Mulloy or Gary Black at 274-1239.

GILLHAM MAIN NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY
One of the items in our library is a copy of all correspondence sent & received by the Association... any document sent or received by the Association is available for viewing. Copies can be made on request - 10¢ @ page.
INCLUDED: The Westport Plan
IN : City Zoning Codes
THE : Property Maintenance Code
LIBRARY : City Procedures
etc.
Please suggest others we should have.

To those of you who are supposed to get the Newsletter by mail...if we have not been consistent, we try. We are extending the time you will receive your Newsletter by mail...And we believe we finally have the mailing under control.

ARE YOU PROTECTED ?

There have been several more burglaries in our neighborhood.

Do you have good deadbolt locks on your door? Are your windows pinned?

Have you had the Police Department out for a free Home Security Check?

If not, you should call the Kansas City Police Dept. at 842-6525 Ask for Crime Prevention Unit.

& CALL THE POLICE WHEN YOU SEE SOMETHING SUSPICIOUS - Help protect your neighborhood.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

If you thought Code Enforcement inspections were finished that's only because everything was o.k. -tolerable anyway- with your property. For those of us with violations, reinspections are beginning - the most serious problems first.

Anyone who is interested in improving the neighborhood is invited to join the Neighborhood Conservation Committee.

HELPERS NEEDED

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association is aware that many persons in the Neighborhood need assistance in shoveling their sidewalks, mowing their lawns and the like.

So we would like to know if there are any volunteer helpers out there.

And we would like to know if there are some people that do various kinds of home maintenance work inexpensively.

If these people are out there, Call:
Bob or Eunice Collins at 753-3763
Ford Simcox at 6561-5109 or
Caron or Walt Wells at 561-8981.

We will then pass your name, skills & rates on to anyone who needs assistance.

People are welcome at the Westport Roanoke Community Center, 3601 Roanoke Road. Call 531-4106 or better yet, drop in and say hello.

New program sessions begin soon. From preschoolers to golden agers there is something here for you.

SUMMER SOFTBALL

Speaking of the Community Center - again this summer Westport neighborhoods will have a slowpitch softball league for males & females Ages 13 to 60 plus. Contact Caron Wells at 561-8981 if you would like to play.

Drive or walk by 4100 Oak to say goodbye to a house that long has been a part of our neighborhood - the wrecking permit has been issued & destruction has started.

For you people who have been saving your newspapers and need a place to take them... there will be a paper collection at Central Presbyterian Church in April - Next month's Newsletter will carry more of the details.

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This Month's Meeting

COME TO ROLLINS SCHOOL
41st & Main

on TUESDAY, APRIL 8th at 7:30
FOR A JOINT MEETING OF
The GILLHAM MAIN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSN.
and
The ROLLINS SCHOOL P.T.A.

7:30 Showing of the Film
"TO TOUCH A CHILD"

A description of the Community use
of the Flint, Michigan Public Schools.

Followed by a discussion of Community
Education/Community Use of the Schools.

Panel Participants will include
representatives of:

- K.C. School District
- K.C. Junior College District
- U. of Mo. Extension
- K.C., Mo. City Government

BRING YOUR CHILDREN
BABYSITTING AT THE SCHOOL

OUR COMMUNITY CENTER

When was the last time you visited Westport Roanoke Community Center - 3601 Roanoke Road? The Spring Program is now in full swing. Come for:

- Open gym activities for adults
- Pottery
- Fencing instructions
- Co-ed Volleyball League
- Golden Age meeting on Tuesdays at 10:45
- Chair caning
- 3 man basketball league
- Yoga
- Needlepoint
- Arts & Crafts
- Bellydancing
- Softball
- Karate
- Oil Painting
- & more & more & more & more & more...

OBSERVERS NEEDED

It is important that Gillham Main be aware of things going on in the City that affect our neighborhood.

To assist in reaching this goal, volunteers are needed to attend meetings and report back to the neighborhood on actions taken & proposed by the City Council, the County Legislature, and various Boards & Commissions.

If you would be interested in doing this, please contact Eunice Collins at 753-3763 or any Executive Committee member listed on the reverse side.

Westport Rezoning

includes
GILLHAM MAIN

(Refer to map and other data in the
December 1974 GMNA Newsletter)

The City Plan Commission has recommended that the City Council approve the rezoning proposed for the Gillham Main area.

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association has gone on record in the past supporting the rezoning in our area from R4 to R2b.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Kansas City City Council Plans & Zoning Committee will hold a Public Hearing at 2:00, April 23, 1975 on the 25th Floor of City Hall to hear comments on the proposed zoning changes for the Westport area.

Representatives of the Association and other residents of the area plan to attend this hearing...

All persons who are interested in this rezoning are urged to attend.

In the Gillham Main area approximately the area East of Warwick would be changed from Apartment zoning to Duplex zoning.

See the map in the December GMNA Newsletter. Call 561-8981 for a copy.

PORCH LIGHTS

ARE YOU PROTECTED?

When you come home after dark, is it to a well lighted house or a house without lights?

A darkened house invites prowlers.

A light on the front porch, and one left on inside and perhaps a radio left playing softly discourage prowlers.

Nothing - not even a policeman on your front porch is a guarantee against a burglary.

But don't wait until after a burglary to do something - DO IT NOW!

LIGHTS & LOCKS!

Police Dept. Emergency Only...421-1500
Fire Dept. Emergency Only.....842-2121
City Animal Shelter.....861-0123

MEETINGS

City Council Committees meet every Thursday afternoon and the meetings are open to the public. It is at these meetings that the public is given a chance to comment on issues before the Council.

Committees are: Finance & Audit
Plans & Zoning
Operations

On Fridays the City Council meets as a body and makes final decisions on items brought before the Council. Again the public may attend but rarely is anyone permitted to speak at these sessions.

In future Newsletters meetings of the City Plan Commission
Board of Zoning Adjustment
Board of Park Commissioners
Police Board & others
will be discussed.

The WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL will meet on Monday, April 14th at Trinity Methodist Church, 620 E Armour at 7:30.

Annual Elections will be held next month. Plan to join this month - dues \$2- so you can vote next month for the 1975/1976 Officers.

Electric Engraver

Gillham Main members & residents...
Call 753-3763 to borrow an electric engraver to mark all your property.

Electric engravers are easy to use - similiar to use a ball point pen. Marked property taken in a burglary has a better chance of being located.

PAPER DRIVE
APRIL 11th - 13th
Central Presbyterian Church
3501 Campbell

Leave your newspapers in the truck in the parking lot. Call 931-2515 for Pickup. If you miss this drive, there will be another in about 6 weeks.



**PLAY SOFTBALL
THIS SUMMER
JOIN THE
GILLHAM MAIN
SLOW PITCH
SOFTBALL TEAM.**

The Westport Neighborhoods Softball League is preparing for its second year.

Playing weeknights at Roanoke Park, 36th & Roanoke, each team will play one night a week in June, July & August.

The 10 persons teams include men & women, young & old (ages 13 & up.)

Gillham Main needs more players. Start planning now for your summer. Call 561-8981 to play on the team.

Your Elected Representatives

These people have been elected to represent the residents of our area. Give them a chance to do so when you have a problem or question.

CITY GOVERNMENT - Councilmen

Dick Berkley
Joel Pelofsky
%4114 E 12th St, 64106 274-1321

COUNTY GOVERNMENT - Legislators

Ron Spradley - 881-3116
Ted Newman - 881-3132
%415 E. 12th St., 64106

STATE GOVERNMENT - Representative

Jim Baker - 104 E 41st St., 64111
- 753-5842

State Senator

Harry Wiggins - 7520 Main, 64114
- 444-5718

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT - Representative

Richard Bolling - 811 Grand, 64106
- 842-4798

Senators

Tom Eagleton - 811 Grand, 64106
- 374-2747
Stuart Symington - 811 Grand, 64106
- 374-3068

KANSAS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mary Roberson - 4011 Kenwood 64110
(District) - 753-4875
Anne Blond - 1005 Valentine Rd. 64111
(at-large) - 931-0555

Meeting Report

Those of you attending the March 18th GMAA Gillham Main Meeting had a chance to meet 10 of the 16 candidates we were able to choose between for the City Elections.

Present were Sarah Snow, Shirley McCanse, Wes Jennings, Joe Serviss, Joanne Collins, Joel Pelofsky, Bruce Rodgers, Dorothy Davis, Vic Swyden, & Robert Johnson.

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This Month's Meeting

Tuesday, May 13 at 7:30
Rockhill Manor Hotel - 4235 Locust

A G E N D A

- 7:30 Business Meeting
- 8:00 Presentation of Gillham Park Pool plans - Rusty Corwin, Park Dept.
 -Discussion of crime prevention in the Gillham Main area.
 -Discussion of School consolidation in the K.C., Mo. School District which will result in the closing of up to 22 schools.
- 9:15 ADJOURNMENT

NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION PAINT - UP PROJECT

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association has been telling residents for six months about the City's Neighborhood Beautification Program which provides paint for the exterior of homes.

At a meeting Thursday night, May 8th at Rockhill Manor Hotel, residents of Locust & Oak Streets between 39th & 43rd who are participating received their certificates for free paint, sandpaper, brushes etc.

Residents in the remainder of the neighborhood may still participate.

If you want paint - call 561-8981 or 753-3763, NOW!!

BICYCLE SAFETY CHECK

The Rollins PTA is sponsoring a bicycle safety check on Saturday, May 17th at Rollins School, 41st & Walnut from 9:30 a.m. until all bicycles are safety checked.

A police officer will be present to issue bicycle licenses and record serial numbers. City bicycle licenses are issued FREE.

Everyone from 2 to 102 who has a bicycle is encouraged to make sure their bicycles are safe to ride.

Also by recording serial numbers there is a greater chance of having your bicycle returned if it is stolen.

VOLUNTEERS are needed who can make minor bicycle repairs and adjustments. And also to help supervise riding tests.



PLAY SOFTBALL
THIS SUMMER
JOIN THE
GILLHAM MAIN
SLOW PITCH
SOFTBALL TEAM.

The 10 persons teams include men & women, young & old (ages 13 & up.)
Gillham Main needs more players.
Start planning now for your summer. Call 561-8981 to play on the team.

NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN-UP

The Gillham Main Spring Clean-Up will be held on Saturday, May 31 & Sunday, June 1.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Starting on Saturday, May 31st at 9a.m. we will meet at Westport High School, 39th & McGee.

Teams will be formed & we will clean up moving south to 43rd.

Mostly we will be cleaning up trash along the street & parkway area.

If you need help moving out items to be picked up, call 561-8981 or 753-3763 prior to May 31st.

The City of Kansas City provides FREE large item trash pickup on request. Call 274-1811 if you have large items to be picked up. Arrangements can then be made to pick these up on a specific day - usually a Tuesday in our neighborhood.

On the days of the neighborhood clean-up please come with gloves,
rakes,
brooms,
hoes,
shovels,
other useful tools

and lots of enthusiasm.

On Sunday June 1 we will meet at 1:00 at 43rd & Oak to finish up whatever didn't get done on Saturday.

Incidentally, while you are cleaning up your home and getting ready to throw away lots of good junk

.....A GILLHAM MAIN GARAGE SALE.....
is coming

Gillham Main would like to have yours discards to raise money-postage, & maps, & whistlestop & other activities that cost \$\$.

The garage sale will be June 14 & 15 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Collection & pick up of donations will begin June 1. Watch for details in the June Gillham Main Newsletter.

If you need to have something picked up before June 1st call 561-8981 but remember we have limited storage space.

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association would like you as a member. Annual dues are \$1 for persons who are concerned about our neighborhood from 39th to 45th Streets, between Main Street & Gillham Road.

A major purpose of the organization is to keep persons concerned with our area informed of plans for the area.

The Association also represents its members in presenting neighborhood concerns to government & other groups.

CRIME PREVENTION

for & by people

What is your reaction?

- 1) If you see an assault taking place?
- 2) Think a burglary is in progress?
- 3) See a purse Snatched?

Warm weather is here an that usually brings more crime with it ... YOU can help protect yourself and your neighborhood.

Participate in your community's crime prevention programs.

WHISTLESTOP

When you observe a crime or any emergency occurs with assistance needed - Blow your whistle & call the police - 421-1500.

Whistles may be purchased at cost - 75¢ at:
J & G Market - 43rd & Oak
Main Street Pharmacy - 43rd & Main
The Fish Shop - Main St. at Westport Rd.

To stop crime someone must call the police. THAT MEANS YOU right after you blow your whistle.

CORRECTION

We must apologize to our many readers for our error in preparing the April G.M.N.A. Newsletter. But at least we know that our Newsletter is well read.

The date for the City Council Plans & Zoning Committee meeting should have read April 3. By accident a 2 was typed preceeding the three and the mistake was not caught until distribution was completed.

Anyone who intended to comment regarding the rezoning proposals should do so immediately in writing & direct this to: City Council Plans & Zoning Committee- Charles Hazley Chairman, City Hall, 414 E. 12 St., K. C., Mo. 64106.

SUCCESSFUL PTA DINNER

Over 200 people attened the Rollins PTA ham & beans/chile dinner April 25th at Rollins Grade School.

After expenses over \$160 was cleared by the PTA to be used in further developing the school library.

It was good to see many people from the neighborhood and based on the success of this dinner we expect there will be more in the future.

At the dinner a photo of the Rollins graduating class of 1919 was given to the school and the PTA is having this framed to be hung in the school. The PTA is very interested in either the donation of or the loan of other photos from past years at Rollins.

Please call PTA President Mrs. Flo Hall (531-7058) if you can help in the quest.

AMBULANCE EMERGENCY PHONE

If you need an ambulance anytime in the 8 county K.C. Metro area call 471-1111. This is M.A.R.C.E.R. (Mid America Regional Council Emergency Rescue.)

LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The Friends of Westport Library will hold their first annual book sale Saturday, May 17 in the parking lot adjacent to the Library at 118 Westport Road from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. In case of rain the sale will be moved indoors.

The proceeds from the sale will be used to improve the appearance of the building and to purchase items desired by the patrons that are not in the budget.

To donate books for the sale or the library shelves bring them to Westport Library, 118 Westport Road or call the Library(531-6161) or Caron Wells(561-8981) to have your donations picked up.

The library will have first choice of all donated books.

Donations of time for sorting & pricing the books prior to the sale and working during the sale are very welcome.

First place in the Westport Library Laura Ingalls Wilder drawing contest was won by Denise Mapes of 4003 Oak - a second grader at Rollins School.

Her drawing will appear on Westport Library's summer reading club bookmarks. Our Congratulations!

Rollins Grade School is bringing back a tradition this year - a graduation program for the students leaving Rollins.

The program will be held Friday, May 24 about 11 a.m. for these 7th graders.

For further information contact Rollins School (931-1613).

Everyone who supports our school is welcome to attend and celebrate with our children.

The Broadway-Westport Community Development Corporation held its annual meeting on Tuesday, May 6, 1974.

Elected to the Board of Directors to represent the membership were:

- Stuart Hutchison - Rockhill Homes Assn.
- John Piepho - Hyde Park Neighborhood Assn.
- Jackie Seligson - Broadway Main Assn.

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This Month's Meeting

Tuesday, June 10th at 7:30
Rockhill Manor Hotel - 4235 Locust

PROGRAM AGENDA...

Rusty Corwin of the Park Dept. will discuss plans & repairs for Gillham Park.

A discussion of Code Enforcement in Gillham Main will follow.

Everyone concerned about Gillham Main is invited & we would be happy to have you as a member of the Assn. Dues are \$1 a year.

MEETINGS

The WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL will meet Monday, June 9th at Westport Roanoke Community Center, 3601 Roanoke at 7:30. Come & participate in decisions that affect all of Westport.

The GILLHAM MAIN NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMMITTEE will meet Thursday, June 12 at the Rockhill Manor Hotel, 4235 Locust, 7:00

The FRIENDS OF WESTPORT LIBRARY having had a successful book sale will meet Monday, June 16 at Westport Library, 118 Westport Rd. to determine how to spend \$250 taken in during the sale. In addition the system was able to retain about 1000 books for use. **ADMISSION - A CURRENT LIBRARY CARD.** 7 P.M.

The G.M.N.A. TRANSPORT COMMITTEE will meet Thursday, June 19th at 7:30 at 3949 Oak, 2nd floor. Several issues to be discussed include Mass Transit; Oak Street being made one way from 43rd to 45th; bicycle trails.

The WESTPORT PLAN COMMISSION will meet Monday, June 23 at 3718 Broadway at 7:30.

The CITY WIDE COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS will meet Wednesday, June 25 at the Chancery, 300 E. 36th at 7:30. Meetings are open to any who wish to attend.

The G.M.N.A. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE will meet Thursday, June 26th at 7:30 at 4040 Locust.

The WESTPORT CRIME PREVENTION COMMISSION will meet at Westport Library, 118 Westport Road from 7 to 8:30 on Monday, June 30.

The Commission was formed by action of the Westport Community Council to bring together individuals and groups in the Westport area who are concerned about crime prevention. For further information P.O. Box 5807, K.C., Mo. Westport Station 64111.

ALL OF THE ABOVE ARE PUBLIC MEETINGS AND INTERESTED PERSONS SHOULD PLAN ON ATTENDING.



Neighborhood Clean-Up

NOW SCHEDULED

June 7 & 8

We need you. Please volunteer 1/2 day to help clean up your neighborhood ... Choose your 4 hours.

We will meet:

Saturday 9 a.m. at 39th & McGee

Saturday 1 p.m. at 41st & McGee

Sunday 1 p.m. at 43rd & Oak

We need your help to clean our neighborhood.

Bring rakes, brooms, & other useful tools.

Anyone who has large items may call 561-8981 to get assistance moving things to the curb.

The City has a FREE - Large Item Trash Pickup - for furniture, appliances & NOW small amounts of building materials. By request only - Call 274-1811 to arrange a pickup - usually on a Tuesday in our neighborhood.

Garage Sale

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association will have a garage sale on Saturday & Sunday June 14th & 15th from 10 to 7 at 4322 Warwick.

The proceeds will be used by the Neighborhood Association (as directed by the membership) to expand crime prevention programs, to register complaints and questions with the appropriate government offices, & generally to help in making Gillham Main a good place to live and own property.

Call 561-8981 if you wish to have contributions picked up; or bring your donations to 4061 McGee at any time prior to the 14th. Or bring them when you come to the sale.

Volunteers are needed to work at the sale 10 - 1; 1 - 4; & 4 - 7 Saturday & Sunday. Call 561-8981.

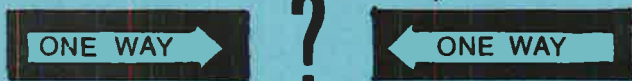
Paint Up

The McGee Street & Nelson Gallery area Paint-Up Project meeting will be Thursday night June 5 at 6:30 at Rockhill Manor.

Anyone who is planning at anytime to paint their houses should come to hear a professional explain & show how to paint successfully.

All persons who are getting Free Paint should be present to make arrangements to get their paint. The meeting should be over by 8:00.

If you haven't been to the Nelson Gallery to see the Chinese Art Exhibit -MURRY. This is the last week. June 8 is the last day. Open until 9 p.m. every night.



What do people in the Neighborhood think about one way traffic on Oak Street from 43rd to 44th?

A letter from Delbert Karmeier - City Director of Transportation asks residents to make their opinions known to him.

If the change to one way traffic on Oak affects or concerns you, GMNA suggests that you make YOUR opinions known - for or against. WRITE A LETTER -

Delbert Karmeier
Director of Transportation
City Hall - 23rd Floor
K.C., Mo. 64106

The Neighborhood Association would appreciate a copy of your letter, but of course this is not necessary.

A discussion of this one way street will be a part of the June 19th Transport Committee Meeting at 3949 Oak at 7:30. Everyone who is concerned is welcome.

PROBLEMS WITH REPAIR BILLS?

With a code enforcement program operating in the neighborhood and many persons concerned about the appearance of their homes, people are looking for contractors to do repairs and maintenance for them.

A problem that has developed at times in the past has been a lien against the property when a supplier of materials used in repairs has not been paid by the contractor.

When work is completed on your property you should have receipted bills covering all materials used.

One of the functions of the BROADWAY WESTPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION is to develop information relating to home repair. G.M.N.A. has been furnished sample contracts which can be used in hiring contractors - being sure all bills are paid.

For more information the BROADWAY WESTPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION drop by the office at 3718 Broadway.

PORCH LIGHTS

ARE YOU PROTECTED?

Leaving your lights on costs you money.
So does insurance.
So does a burglary.

Most insurance policies do not return the first \$50 to \$200 of loss. Most residential burglaries in our area average around \$150.

The only way to insure small losses is to prevent the burglary in the first place.

You can turn on some of your lights so that a potential burglar won't be as likely to risk being seen breaking in to your home.

A 40 watt light bulb costs less than 5¢ a night, less than \$1.50 a month to operate dusk to dawn. The average burglary will cost 100 times this monthly cost plus any damage to your home while breaking in.

However - there is a neighbor here who only leaves the porch lights on when they go out. And there is another who turns off all the lights when there is no one home.

We can look out our windows at night and tell if these people are at home or not and so can every burglar who wants to do business in our neighborhood.

The best way to use lights is to leave on every night - all night - 1 or 2 (Front and Back) outdoor lights. In addition you could leave a light (Hall or Bathroom?) on every night inside the house.

HELP US PROTECT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

KNOWLEDGE FOR NEIGHBORHOODS

To help neighborhoods and individuals within them function more effectively, the CITY WIDE COALITION and the METROPOLITAN INSTITUTE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES of the METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGES are cosponsoring several courses:

"UNDERSTANDING & WORKING WITH CITY GOVERNMENT Beginning Monday, June 16 7:30 to 9:30. 6 weeks/ Mondays FEE - \$9. Taught by Councilman Joel Pelofsky.

HOW TO GET THE WORD OUT (Publicity) Beginning Tuesday, June 17th, 7:30 to 9:00 4 weeks/ Tuesdays FEE-\$5. Taught by Charles Harness News Director, KBEA Radio.

SEMINAR IN COMMUNICATION & LEADERSHIP IN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION. Beginning Wednesday June 18, 7:30 to 9:30 6 weeks/Wednesdays FEE - \$9. Taught by Pat Jesaitis, Prof. Pub. Admin./UMKC & active 49-63 Coalition member.

All classes will meet at 560 Westport Road - the administrative center for the junior college district.

REGISTER NOW. Call 753-4949 Ext. 237

SOFTBALL



There will be a team meeting and practice of the Gillham Main Softball Team at 6:30, June 5 at Rollins School, 41st and Walnut.

All you people who want to play - come on over and let's work out the positions.

If you can't make the Thursday night meeting Call Caron Wells at 561-8981.

Regular games will be starting in about two weeks .. one night a week 6:30 to 8:00.

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A Word of Explanation

The Gillham Main Newsletter and the Gillham Main monthly meeting are both late this month due to holidays, vacations, & illness.

In August we will be back on schedule with Newsletters out the first of the month & the monthly meeting on the second Tuesday, - August 2.

This Month's Meeting

Tuesday, July 15 at 7:30
Rockhill Manor Hotel - 4235 Locust

A G E N D A

- 7:30 Business Meeting
- 8:00 Program: CRIME PREVENTION IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD
- 9:00 Adjournment

MEETINGS

The Westport Community Council meets Monday, July 14 at 7:30 at Westport Roanoke Community Center, 3601 Roanoke Road.

The Westport Crime Prevention Commission meets Monday, July 28 7:00 to 8:30 at Westport Library, 118 Westport Road.

WE WANT YOU!

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association is made up of persons who are interested in the present, future, & past of our area - 39th to 45th, Main Street to Gillham Rd.

The Association position on issues is taken after discussion within the Association and the neighborhood. And after a vote at a meeting.

We invite you to join and add your voice & opinion to that of your neighbors.

Annual dues are \$1 per person a year.

Pay \$1.50 now for membership through October 1, 1976.

Send your dues payment to:
Norma Rickel, G.M.N.A. Treasurer
315 E. 43rd St., K.C., Mo. 64111

NO SOFTBALL THIS YEAR

The Gillham Main Softball Team didn't get it together this year.

Better luck next year to the team. Anyone interested in playing this year, call 561-8981 to play on another.



The Future of Gillham Park . . .

will be the subject of a walking tour on Saturday morning, July 12 from 9:00 to noon.

Jerry Darter, Superintendent of the City Park Department, Park Management Division will accompany residents from both sides of Gillham Road on a walk through Gillham Park from 39th to 45th on both sides of Gillham Road.

Anything dealing with the park is open for discussion during the tour:

- Baseball/Softball fields
- Basketball Goals
- Existing Pool
- Planned Water Experience
- Planned Playgrounds
- Who uses the pool?
- Picnic tables
- Outdoor grills
- Comfort stations
- Flower & shrub planting
- Removal of brush
- Locations of walks & steps
- Crossing of Gillham Road

If you believe the Park affects your home or neighborhood - If you use the park - Consider participating in the tour.

For Information: Eunice Collins 753-3763

WHAT IS THE WORST PROBLEM ON YOUR BLOCK?

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association is working for a good neighborhood to live in... & We want your assistance.

We can all agree on the worst property in the neighborhood or even the 4 or 5 worst, but let's work at improving every block.

On the reverse side of this Newsletter is a form for registering your complaints or problems.

Please look at the block you live on and list the worst problem in your block - (As an example, the worst problem in the 4100 block of McGee is 4115/4121 McGee. Both are vacant, dangerous houses with holes in the roofs.)

Perhaps your problem is a vacant lot, an abandoned car, or animals. Let us know.

Reports

The Gillham Main Spring Garage Sale last month produced nearly \$150 for the use of and betterment of the neighborhood.

If you came to the sale and want to have a say in the spending of the money be sure you are a current member of the Association.

THE CITY WIDE COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS IS CURRENTLY WORKING IN A NUMBER OF AREAS. Among these is education.

In cooperation with M.I.C.S. - the fourth branch of the Metropolitan Junior College District - classes in skills useful to neighborhood organizations are being offered. Three courses are currently going at 560 Westport Road. This Fall four to eight classes will be offered. Details in next month's Newsletter.

Lobbying is going on to improve the communications structure in city government between the community and the various departments, divisions, Boards & Commissions as well as with the Council itself.

Discussions are being carried on in improving the code enforcement programs of the city & in requiring a certificate of occupancy for every residential unit in the city.

THE WESTPORT PLAN COMMISSION AGAIN FINDS ITSELF BEING NOTIFIED OF A NUMBER OF PROPOSED PARKING LOTS. Two new lots in the 3600 Block of Central. Another is proposed on Central just North of Armour.

First Land Corporation of Overland Park, Kansas is proposing to build a 125 unit hotel on the N.E. corner of 39th & St State Line. With a restaurant included they are suggesting about 140 off street parking places in an already crowded area.

Interstate Brands Corporation, 12 E. Armour is requesting a zoning change on its property so that a sign erected by them in non-conformity with the current zoning may remain.

The rezoning of much of Westport in conformity with current usage and future usage as suggested by the Westport Plan, remains in the City Council Plans and Zoning Committee being thoroughly discussed and looked into.

Nest meeting - Monday July 21 at 3718 Broadway.

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Your Elected Representatives

These people have been elected to represent the residents of our area. Give them a chance to do so when you have a problem or question.

CITY GOVERNMENT - Councilmen

Dick Berkley
Joel Pelofsky
414 E 12th St, 64106 274-1321

COUNTY GOVERNMENT - Legislators

Ron Spradley - 881-3146
Ted Newman - 881-3132
415 E. 12th St., 64106

STATE GOVERNMENT - Representative

Jim Baker - 104 E 11st St., 64111
- 753-5842

State Senator

Harry Wiggins - 7520 Main, 64114
- 444-5718

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT - Representative

Richard Bolling - 811 Grand, 64106
- 842-4798

Senators

Tom Eagleton - 811 Grand, 64106
- 374-2747
Stuart Symington - 811 Grand, 64106
- 374-3068

KANSAS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mary Roberson - 4011 Kenwood 64110
(District) - 753-4875
Anne Blond - 1005 Valentine Rd. 64111
(at-large) - 931-0555

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NOTIFICATION OF CONCERN TO GILLHAM MAIN NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION COMMITTEE
(Please return to Eunice Collins, G.M.N.A. President, 4040 Locust, 64110)

Address of concern: _____ Date: _____

Owner/Occupant if known: _____

Exact Description of Problem:

Your Name: _____ Address: _____ Phone: _____
(If you sign your name, you will be advised of the action taken...)

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We print 1000 copies a month and these are distributed door to door through much of the neighborhood with an emphasis on delivery to persons who are members of the neighborhood association.

Copies are available about the first of every month at J & G Market, 43rd & Oak.

*BLOCK WATCH COMMITTEE TO MEET
MONDAY, JULY 18TH 7:30
4320 OAK*

One result of the July G.M.N.A. General meeting is the beginning of a block watch program in the Gillham Main area.

The program is beginning now with some training and minimal organization to follow as soon as possible.

Everyone who is interested in a block watch starting on their block is invited to attend the Block Watchers Committee Meeting on July 18th at 7:30, at 4320 Oak.

Block watches will be started and supported on those blocks where the people live who are interested in and concerned about their neighborhood.

In time this may mean every block - we hope.

This Month's Meeting

Tuesday, August 12 at 7:30
Rockhill Manor Hotel - 4235 Locust

A G E N D A

- 7:30 Business Meeting
- 8:00 DISCUSSION OF CONCERNS OF PEOPLE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD
- 9:00 Adjournment/ refreshments

MEETINGS

The Westport Community Council will not meet during August. In September there will be a meeting to discuss the schools.

The City Wide Coalition of Neighborhoods will meet August 27th at the Chancery, 300 E. 36th.

Code Enforcement

Have you received a letter recently from the city regarding your property in the Gillham Main area?

If you have ... this is a part of the City sponsored Code Enforcement Program begun in our neighborhood last year.

The City hopes that it can complete the reinspections with all properties brought up to minimum standards by the end of this summer.

The current series of reinspections and notifications in the mail of remaining problems are a standard part of this program.

Should anyone wish to see a copy of the Property Maintenance Code of the City, Gillham Main has purchased a copy for anyone to see. Cost is about \$1.

In spite of comments to the contrary and rumours going through the neighborhood, no one is singled out in the code enforcement program other than the members of the G.M.N.A. Executive Committee who have their properties inspected first and thus will have slightly earlier dates for compliance with the codes.

Please complete Back side, cut along this line & return.

A major concern of the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association is take action on concerns of residents, property owners, and business persons with the Association boundaries.

The list of priorities on the reverse side is a composite of earlier lists developed in this neighborhood and concerns from other communities.

We are interested in the opinions of all persons who care about this neighborhood.

Please return this questionnaire ... either to the return box at J & G Market (You'll have to ask where it is) or return it by mail to

Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn.
c/o Eunice Collins, President
4040 Locust
K.C., Mo. 64109

If you should have any questions please call 753-3763, or 561-8981. THANKYOU.

Reports

At the July 12th Gillham Main Meeting there were long discussions in three areas:

- 1) Schools - Financing, August 19th Sales Tax Elections, Bussing, Will Rollins stay open, Announcement that Plan E had been rejected that afternoon by HEW, etc
- 2) Gillham Park - several persons expressed regret that they hadn't gotten the Newsletter until after the tour. Some suggestions were made including a phone booth at 41st & Gillham, locations for walks, picnic tables etc. Anyone with further ideas on the park please send them to Eunice Collins, 4040 Locust, K.C., Mo. 64110.
- 3) Crime prevention was to be the topic for the evening - a discussion centered around the need for people to do things and not just know what they could do.

WHAT is BLOCK WATCHING ?

Block watching is being concerned about the people and property in your neighborhood.

Watching & listening for problems: Crime, accidents, fire & calling for help when needed.

WHEN THERE IS AN EMERGENCY CALL:

- Police 421-1500
- Ambulance 471-1111
- Fire 842-2121

Who can be a block watcher?
Anyone who wants to be.

When you are home or in the neighborhood watch for people & cars that don't belong, or unusual noise or other activity.

WHAT TO DO:

- 1) Memorize the three emergency numbers above
- 2) Talk to your neighbors and find others who want to live on blocks that are safe
- 3) Let Gillham Main know that you want a Block Watch Program
- 4) Have at least one person from your block join the Neighborhood Block Watch Committee

REMEMBER WHISTLESTOP!

After considering this list of concerns and possibly adding some of your own, please number from 1 (the most important) to 5 (the less important of your choices.)

- Housing Rehabilitation
- Animal control/Leash law enforcement
- Public Safety - street crime; breaking & entering
- Schools/Education
- Streets
- Curbs & Sidewalks
- Library
- Childcare
- Off Street Parking
- Parks & Recreation
- Public Transit
- Services to elderly
- Improve government response to individuals
- Rezoning of neighborhood
- Advance knowledge of plans being made for our area.
- Enforcement of existing building & zoning codes
- Loans - for home purchase
- Loans - for home repair
- Property values
- Population Stability

OTHER: PLEASE LIST

Please check appropriate circles:
 Member? Non Member?
 Wish to become a member?
 Wish to stay a non-member?
 Wish to serve the neighborhood?
 How? _____

Name: _____
 Address: _____

Your Elected Representatives

These people have been elected to represent the residents of our area. Give them a chance to do so when you have a problem or question.

CITY GOVERNMENT - Councilmen

- Dick Berkley
- Joel Pelofsky
- 4414 E 12th St, 64106 274-1321

COUNTY GOVERNMENT - Legislators

- Ron Spradley - 881-3146
- Ted Newman - 881-3132
- 415 E. 12th St., 64106

STATE GOVERNMENT - Representative

- Jim Baker - 104 E 41st St., 64111
- 753-5842

State Senator

- Harry Wiggins - 7520 Main, 64114
- 444-5718

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT - Representative

- Richard Bolling - 811 Grand, 64106
- 842-4798

Senators

- Tom Eagleton - 811 Grand, 64106
- 374-2747
- Stuart Symington - 811 Grand, 64106
- 374-3068

KANSAS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

- Mary Roberson - 4011 Kenwood 64110
- (District) - 753-4875
- Anne Blond - 1005 Valentine Rd. 64111
- (at-large) - 931-0555

GILLHAM MAIN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- PRES...Eunice Collins..4040 Locust...753-3763
- V.P....Nat Putnam.....3949 Oak.....531-7516
- Sec....Walt Wells.....4061 McGee....561-8981
- TREAS..Norma Rickel....315 E. 43rd...561-8075

REPRESENTATIVES TO:

WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

- Carl Wilson...4144 Warwick...756-0365
- Jim Watt.....4001 Oak.....531-1949

WESTPORT PLAN COMMISSION

- Ford Simcox...4138 Locust....561-5109
- Nat Putnam

CITY WIDE COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOODS

- Jim Dawson...1121 Manheim Rd....531-4933
- Dan Mick.....404 E. 43rd.....561-4253
- Julie Cooper..4341 Locust.....753-1776

BROADWAY WESTPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP.

- Walt Wells & Nat Putnam

The G.M.N.A. Meeting will be September 2

What is Block Watching?

Block watching is being concerned with your neighborhood and your neighbors.

It is one way of reducing crimes, getting to know your neighbors...and generally making your neighborhood an even nicer place to live.

While people are at home they watch for criminal activity & other emergency situations.

Watchers should know these three numbers:

POLICE 421-1500
FIRE 842-2121
AMBULANCE 471-1111

And watchers should be willing to call immediately when the occasion occurs.

There are professionals who respond in emergencies BUT someone has to call them.

Block watching is calling professionals in these emergencies and we need 4, 5, or more watchers in every block.

ATTEND THE SEPTEMBER 2nd MEETING AND LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS CONCEPT.

WHISTLESTOP

About a year ago the Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn. started a program called, in our area, "Whistlestop!"

The idea was for people to carry a whistle with them all of the time to alert other persons in time of:

- A Crime;
- A fire;
- An Accident;

Or any emergency with assistance needed.

So far over 600 people have agreed that this is a good idea and bought a whistle.

Fortunately there haven't been all that many needs to use the whistle, BUT in several situations where a whistle would have been of use there wasn't one.

G.M.N.A. buys these whistles and sells them at cost through J & G Market at 43rd & Oak.

We would like to encourage those of you who don't have whistles to consider buying them and please be alert for the sound of a whistle in our community.

IF YOU HEAR A WHISTLE NOTIFY THE POLICE
BUT DON'T GET IN THE MIDDLE OF A BAD
SITUATION... !

This Month's Meeting

Tuesday, September 2 at 7:30
Rockhill Manor Hotel - 4235 Locust

A G E N D A

7:30 Business Meeting
8:00 Setting Up a NEIGHBORHOOD
BLOCK WATCH in Gillham Main

COME & BRING A NEIGHBOR WITH YOU

HOME REPAIRS...

GETTING RIPPED OFF?

G.M.N.A. has observed many problems in the home repair area. Most complaints are overpricing and poor work.

However, a few have been in the areas of:

Unneeded repairs being recommended;

Work not being completed; or

Materials not being paid for.

Working with information provided by the Broadway Westport Community Development Corporation, G.M.N.A. makes several recommendations to follow in locating a contractor to work on your home:

Always get several bids;

Pay by check;

Get a receipt for all materials used & if possible pay directly yourself for all materials used;

Don't pay in advance. Be cautious of any contractor who needs to be paid in advance.

For a Source of Bids, contractors to discuss projects & so forth we suggest these sources:

Check with neighbors who have had satisfactory work done;

Look for residents of your neighborhood, with skills to make your repairs;

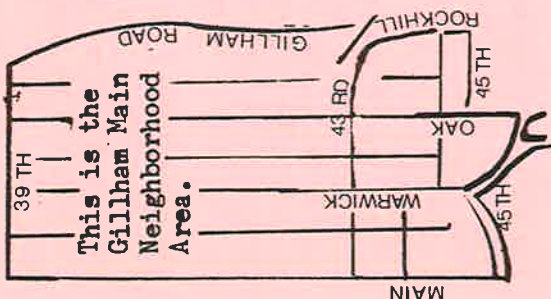
Check with your local Hardware Store or other supply source for contractors they will recommend;

Look in the Westport Reporter.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____



If YOU live here,

own property here, or

work here

YOU can be a member.

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Dues are \$1 a year (50¢ under 21)

G.M.N.A. is dedicated to making our area a good place to be... living, investing, working.

We care about your neighborhood. We want you to care about the place you live, work, or own property & work with us to make Gillham Main an even better place to be.

Mail your dues to Norma Rickel, Treasurer, G.M.N.A. 315 E 43rd, K.C., Mo. 64111

Dues are payable October 1st.

TO ALL PEOPLE WHO HAVE DOGS

Many of the members of our organization have dogs...We are not anti-dog, However, there is a city leash law ordinance.

A major concern expressed to the Assn. by Gillham Main area residents as a result of questionnaires at the end of the last two Newsletters and at the August meeting was "Animals running loose".

(As this article was being written late on a Sunday afternoon, two trash sacks were visible on the curb next door - ripped open and the contents scattered.)

The Association has contacted the City Animal Control Program and asked that they patrol specific areas on Sunday and Monday when the trash is at the curb.

In addition the Association will provide the city with information on any animal running loose regularly and the city will follow up with a call on the owner.

Should you wish to contact the Animal Shelter directly - either to report a loose animal or to look for a missing one the phone number is 861-0123.

DO YOU VALUE YOUR PET?

Recently in the Gillham Main area dogs running loose have been shot and killed by persons unsatisfied by city control of animals.

G.M.N.A. does not condone this practice & points out that discharging a firearm within the city limits is against the law.

MORE ELECTIONS

Having just had one special election during August, there will be another in October as the Metropolitan Junior College District brings a \$59.5 Million Bond issue to the voters.

Then in January there is a School Board Election. The District #1 seat(held by Mary Roberson now) and one at large seat (now held by Barton Hakan) will both be voted on by residents of the Gillham Main area.

So if you are concerned about education, schools, taxes ... register to vote now so you will be eligible to vote in these upcoming elections.

BOARD OF ELECTIONS COMMISSIONERS = 842-4820

The Westport Community Council will meet on Monday, September 8th at Westport Roanoke Community Center, 3601 Roanoke Road to discuss education in the Kansas City School District.

ELECTION

NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMING

On October 14 the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association will be electing a new group of officers and representatives to serve during the coming year.

A Nominating Committee will be submitted for the membership's approval at the September meeting and will make a report at the annual meeting in October.

Additional nominations may be made from the Floor.

To be a candidate the only qualification is to be a dues paid current member.

Anyone having a suggestion of someone to serve is asked to please forward the name immediately to:

Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn. Nominating Committee c/o 4061 McGee, 64111.

The elective positions are:

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

& representatives to:

Westport Community Council(2)

City Wide Coalition (3)

Westport Plan Commission(2)

Broadway Westport Community

Development Corporation(2)

Other positions on the Executive Committee are those of Committee Chairpersons - They are elected by their committees.

PAINT-UP WINDS UP

Finishing up is now going on at many of the 46 buildings in our Neighborhood for which the city furnish paint through the Neighborhood Beautification Paint-Up Program.

Over 80 buildings qualified for the free paint. At 59 of these the owner or tenant agreed they wanted to get the paint, but of these 13 later chose not to get the paint.

G.M.N.A. thanks those people who followed up on the program and handled the paperwork: Eunice Collins, Carl Wilson, Caron & Walt Wells. Also thanks to those people who served on the three Paint-up committees:

Locust/Oak: Eunice Collins, Jim Watt, Julie Cooper;

McGee/Nelson Gallery area: Julie Cooper, Caron Wells, George Armstrong;

Warwick/Walnut: Carl Wilson, Madeline Mathews, Cynda Bolin

The program was a great help to many who received paint. G.M.N.A. is only sorry that more persons didn't take advantage of this.

The neighborhood looks better thanks to this paint program and the owners and tenants who persevered through the many visits with papers to sign and instructions to follow.

FOR SALE or RENT

Gillham Main is now beginning to keep a list of all properties for sale or rent in our neighborhood.

Over the past couple of years the Assn. has been approached regularly by persons wanting to live in our neighborhood and we have generally not been too able to assist.

If you have property for sale or rent, the Assn. will be happy to refer people to you.

We are not at this time able to offer very much information regarding the persons who are looking for a home but we hope to be able to that within the next six months.

For more information on this developing service call 561-8981 or 753-3763.

The Association's interest in doing this is based on an interest in stabilizing the neighborhood and trying to keep people as residents of this area for a longer time.

GET THE GILLHAM MAIN NEWSLETTER REGULARLY AT J & G MARKET - 43rd & Oak - if it isn't delivered to your door...

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED !!!

39th to 43rd on Walnut

39th to 40th on Warwick

South of 43rd - Warwick & McGee

42nd to 43rd on Locust

4300 Block of Rockhill

The

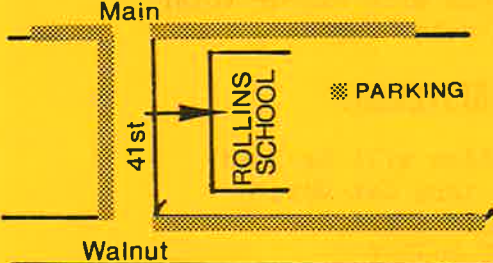
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G.M.N.A. ANNUAL MEETING OCTOBER 14

Annual Meeting

Tuesday, October 14 7:30 p.m.
at ROLLINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
41st & Walnut/Main
Enter from 41st Street side.



ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

- 7:30 Submission of Nominating Committee report.
- Additional nominations from the floor
- Elections
- Reports of outgoing officers and representatives
- Discussion of current problems in the Gillham Main area
- 9:00 Adjournment.

ELECTION of OFFICERS

On October 14 the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association will elect a new group of officers and representatives to serve the neighborhood during the coming year.

The one qualification to be a nominee is to be a dues-paid current member.

The elective positions on the G.M.N.A. Executive Committee are:

- PRESIDENT
 - VICE PRESIDENT
 - SECRETARY
 - TREASURER
- and representatives to:

- WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL (2)
- WESTPORT PLAN COMMISSION (2)
- BROADWAY-WESTPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (2)
- CITY WIDE COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS (3)

ARE YOU LEGAL?

Did you know that all buildings with 3 or more residential units are required by City Ordinance (K.C., Mo. Zoning Ordinance - Section 65.230 (8) to have an "occupancy permit" ?

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Many of us in the Gillham Main Neighborhood are concerned about our neighborhood's problems and want to help.

We want our neighborhood to be safe.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH is a program to make our area safe and we need your help.

When people are at home, at work, or walking or driving through the neighborhood they watch and listen for unusual sights and sounds.

We have professionals who respond in emergencies - but they must be called before they can respond.

KNOW THESE NUMBERS!

Keep them by your telephone,

POLICE	421-1500
FIRE	842-2121
AMBULANCE	471-1111

and USE THEM AT ONCE.

DON'T WAIT FOR SOMEONE ELSE TO CALL!

If YOU live here,
own property here, or
work here

YOU can be a member.

G.M.N.A. is dedicated to making
our area a good place to be...
living, investing, & working.

We would like you to help us
make Gillham Main an even
better neighborhood.

JOIN WITH US NOW



Dues are \$1 @ year (50¢ under 21)

Please return the membership blank on the reverse side at the annual meeting on October 14, 7:30 p.m. at Rollins School 41st & Walnut

or

Mail to:

Norma Rickel, Treasurer
Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn.
315 E. 43rd St.
K.C., Mo. 64111

JOIN WITH US NOW

MEETINGS

OPEN TO EVERYONE

BROADWAY-WESTPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION QUARTERLY MEETING

Thursday, October 9th, 1975 7:30 p.m.
VFW Building - 406 W. 34th Street

James I Threatt, Assistant City Manager will speak on "the Community Development Program and its impact on the Westport area."

WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, October 13th 7:30 p.m.
Westport Roanoke Community Center
3601 Roanoke Road

Dr. Thomas Law, President of Penn Valley Community College will talk on the Metropolitan Community College Master Plan & the upcoming Bond Election.

The CITY WIDE COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS will hold its ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Wednesday, October 22nd 7:30 p.m.
at the Catholic Chancery
300 E. 36th

A U C T I O N

Saturday, October 18

Proceeds will benefit
WESTPORT COOPERATIVE MISSION, INC.

Auction begins at 10:30 a.m. at
ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 40th & Main

To donate items - call Pat Shaughnessy (931-3920) or Roger Coleman (753-3884)

W.C.M.I. is sponsored by 13 Westport area churches & has its offices at 4051 Broadway, 753-3884.

Programs currently being sponsored by W.C.M.I. include three activity centers for children ages 6 - 12; an alternative school and job counseling center; and a community counseling service. Additional services include a social and recreational center for older Westport residents, programs for nursing home residents, transportation for the elderly, meals on wheels, and homemaker and chore person services.

Another Election Coming

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE BONDS

\$59.5 Million for construction

LEARN WHAT IS GOING ON.

MAKE A DECISION.

VOTE.

REGISTER TO VOTE

Elected officials tend to be most responsive to areas with higher voter registration and voter turnout.

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

Voter registration will be held
Tues. Oct. 14 thru Sat Oct. 25

12 noon to 6 p.m.

EXCEPT SUNDAY

(until 8 on Thursdays)

at Valentine Shopping Center

3600 Broadway

Gillham Main Neighborhood Association will provide transportation for anyone who wishes to register at this time. Call 561-8981 to arrange a ride.

Gillham Main wants our elected officials to be aware that people in our neighborhood are concerned.

Please - Register & Vote

To register to vote: Be 18, a U.S. citizen, and a resident of the city & state for 30 days prior to an election.

Bring identification when you come to register: A driver's license, social security card, birth certificate OR almost anything you have received through the mail with your name on it will do.

WESTPORT BRANCH LIBRARY

FREE

118 Westport Road

FREE

SHOWS FILMS

The 2nd Wednesday of each month and on every Saturday afternoon.

(And for kids every Saturday morning.)

Call the Library for information on this week's program - 531-6161.

USE YOUR PUBLIC LIBRARY

I wish to be a member of the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association during 1975 - 1976

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

I am a resident a property owner employed in the area

Enclosed is \$1 dues for each membership (Additional member names on attached paper.)

To keep the neighborhood informed of activities of interest a newsletter is published monthly. More newsletter delivery persons are needed. If a copy is not regularly delivered to your door, pick up your copy at J & G Market, 43rd & Oak or

_____ enclosed is \$1.75 to mail the newsletter for 12 months.

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The Newly Elected

GILLHAM MAIN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRES. Jim Watt 4001 Oak 531-1949
V.P. Norma Rickel 315 E. 43rd 561-8075
SEC. Walt Wells 4061 McGee 561-8981
TREAS. Eunice Collins 4040 Locust 753-3763

REPRESENTATIVES TO:

WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL:

Carl Wilson 4144 Warwick 756-0365
Peggy Wallace 4133 Locust 531-7783

WESTPORT PLAN COMMISSION:

Tracy Leonard 4326a Locust 561-4674
Ruth Allen 4301 Warwick 931-4998

BROADWAY WESTPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CORPORATION:

Pat Kroll 4320 Oak 561-5381
Dorothy Hale 4101 Locust 931-4643

CITY WIDE COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOOD

ORGANIZATIONS:

Jim Dawson 1121 Manheim Road 531-4933
Julie Cooper 4341 Locust 753-1776
Caron Wells 4061 McGee 561-8981

Please contact members of the Executive Committee with your concerns and questions about our neighborhood.

WESTPORT HIGH BOOSTER CLUB

Formed earlier this year to strengthen community support for Westport High School needs, the booster club wants more members.

The Booster Club meets on the third Wednesday each month at Westport High and everyone is invited to attend.

A major concern now (and expressed often in the past) is a lack of sports facilities.

A need previously expressed to the Kansas City Park Department by Gillham Main residents and now also stated by the Booster Club is for a running track in Gillham Park.

The students would be able to use the track in the daytime and the residents after work (daylight until 7 or 8 in summer) and on weekends.

The WESTPORT PLAN COMMISSION will meet on Tuesday, November 25th- 3718 Broadway. 7:30

This Month's Meeting

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15
at 2:00 in the AFTERNOON
RLDS Church - 44th & Warwick
(entrance from 44th Street)

ON THE AGENDA

- A slide program & discussion of the Broadway Westport Community Development Corporation - Will Westport Development affect YOU and your neighborhood??
- Discussion of and planning how to extend our Neighborhood Watch - are You concerned about crime?
- Business & Reports...
- Planning the Association's Coming Year - Bring YOUR ideas to share with us.

New Rollins Principal

Welcome to Rupert Bullard - new principal at our neighborhood school - Rollins Elementary at 41st & Main.

Mr. Bullard replaces Yvonne Wilson who has become the full-time principal at Nelson School.

Mr. Bullard will be a half time principal sharing his time between Rollins & Rhul.

Already in his brief tenure Rollins has been a busy school with three night meetings: October 13 - A meeting of parents to elect parent representatives from the school to represent the school for the desegregation task force.

October 14 - Gillham Main Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting.

October 23rd - Rollins Open House with over 200 persons attending.

Happy
Thanksgiving
from
G.M.N.A.



WHAT IS THE WORST PROBLEM ON YOUR BLOCK?

The Gillham Main Neighborhood Association is working for a good neighborhood to live in, work in, & own property in ... & We want your assistance.

We can all agree on the worst looking property in the neighborhood or even the 4 or 5 worst and most agree that the worst problems include crime & dogs, let's work at improvement on every block.

On the reverse side of this Newsletters is a form for registering your complaints.

Please look at the block you live on and list the worst problem in your block- (As an example a problem in the 4100 block of Warwick is the vacant lot near 43rd with weeds, abandoned cars, & so forth. LET US KNOW WHAT YOUR PROBLEM IS!

Meeting Report

October was the Annual Meeting. The list of the newly elected Executive Committee appears in this Newsletter. The Association met at Rollins School.

Reports of the past year's activities were made by the outgoing Executive Committee.

A motion was made and passed to donate \$50 to the Broadway-Westport Community Development Corporation subject to further discussion at the next meeting. It was pointed out that donations to B-WCDC are now tax-deductible and that in addition to a GMNA contribution donations should be sought from individuals.

A majority of the Westport Rezoning Ordinances have been passed by the City Council. However, the specific ordinance affecting the Gillham Main area is being held as it also affects some other areas and discussion continues.

Rupert Bullard - New Rollins Principal - was introduced to those present.

Outstanding debts were authorized to be paid - mostly postage and duplicating.

MEETINGS

OPEN TO EVERYONE

ROLLINS SCHOOL MEMO:

The Rollins PTA will meeting both day and night in November. Try to attend one or both.

DAY

9:30 a.m. Thursday, November 13th

NIGHT

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

Everyone interested in Rollins School or the children of our area is invited to attend at least one of these meetings.

The Westport Community Council and its committees on Planning, Crime Prevention, Education, Elderly, & Citizen Involvement will meet at 9:30 on Saturday morning, November 15 at Penn Valley Community College Cafeteria at 33rd & Pennsylvania.

NEWSPAPER COLLECTION

November 14th to 17th
Central Presbyterian Church
Armour & Campbell

Call 931-2515 for pickup & information.

NOTIFICATION OF CONCERN TO GILLHAM MAIN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION (Please return to Jim Watt, G.M.N.A. President, 4001 Oak, 64110)

Address of concern: _____ Date _____

Owner/Occupant if known: _____

Exact description of problem: _____

Your name: _____ Address _____ Phone _____

WHISTLESTOP??

Have you heard a WHISTLE blow in our neighborhood? Did you know this may be a call for assistance.

A WHISTLE blowing signals an emergency in our Neighborhood and many other parts of the Metro Kansas City area.

The City of Prairie Village and the Independence Police Department have WHISTLESTOP Programs and in our immediate vicinity - the Hyde Park Neighborhood just across Gillham Road is beginning a program and the Valentine Neighborhood west of Broadway has a program.

From 39th to 45th - Main to Gillham Road the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association is the sponsor.

To make this program work and keep on working - WE NEED YOU!!

☐ GET A WHISTLE. (75¢)
Gillham Main has whistles available at:
J & G Market 43rd & Oak
Westport Public Library 118 Westport Road

☐ BE ALERT - if you hear a whistle blow:
1. Call the Police Dept. 421-1500
2. After calling the police...if you can do so without risk to yourself ... find out who is blowing the whistle and why.

☐ USE YOUR WHISTLE IN ANY EMERGENCY
FIRE
ACCIDENT
CRIME
a threatening situation.

☐ HAVE OTHER MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR NEIGHBORS GET WHISTLES

REMEMBER: The Police Department prefers a false alarm to no alarm. If you see a suspicious person or happening - blow your WHISTLE AND call the police (421-1500). There have been far too many burglaries in our neighborhood recently.

If we all work together, GILLHAM MAIN can be one of the safest neighborhoods in the city.

CALL 274-1811 FOR PICKUP OF LARGE TRASH ITEMS.

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Crime Prevention in OUR Neighborhood

THE GILLHAM MAIN NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION IS SUPPORTING A CRIME PREVENTION NOW PROGRAM.

Here are the stories of two families gone from their homes for about two weeks.

FIRST FAMILY: This family got information on locks, securing windows, marking their property with an electric engraver, leaving lights on in their homes with an electric timer and so forth.

THEY DID THESE THINGS:

- Improved locks;
- Put timers on lights;
- Put ladders away;
- They told all their neighbors - "We're going out of town, call the police if you see anyone at our house."

The Police were called and told that the family would be out of town and all the neighbors would be watching.

One neighbor was given a key for an emergency - which didn't occur - and neighbors and police were told of this.

SECOND FAMILY: "A burglary will never happen to us." They locked their door and went out of town.

- No timers.
- No lights left on.
- No attention to locks.
- They didn't tell anyone they were going, or where or for how long.

The FIRST FAMILY was gone three weeks.

The SECOND FAMILY was gone ten days.

WHICH FAMILY WAS RIPPED OFF?

WHICH FAMILY CAME BACK TO FIND A HOME WITH MANY OF THE POSSESSIONS STOLEN OR DAMAGED?

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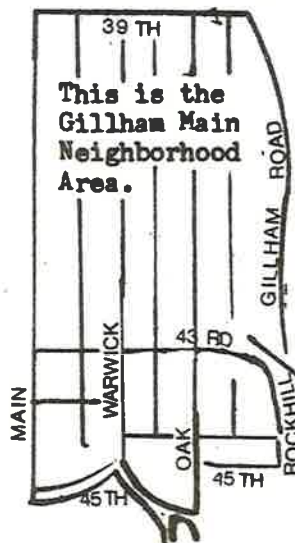
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living, investing, & working.

We would like you to help us
make Gillham Main an even
better neighborhood.

JOIN WITH US NOW



This Month's Meeting

Come to our Holiday Party

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20 - 9 a.m.

at St. Paul's Episcopal Church
40th & Main
in the Community Room

There will be a discussion of children - those who live in our neighborhood & those who attend school(s) in our area.

Coffee, Hot Chocolate, & Apple Cider will be served along with Home Made Christmas Cookies.

MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO BRING 1 Dozen CHRISTMAS COOKIES TO THE MEETING - PLEASE.

HOW TO GET A NEWSLETTER EVERY MONTH

The best way to get a NEWSLETTER regularly is to be a member and live on a block where someone delivers the NEWSLETTER.

The next best way is to pick up a NEWSLETTER at J & G Market - 43rd & Oak.

The only other way is to pay Gillham Main an additional \$1.75 to cover postage cost and have the NEWSLETTER mailed to you.

GILLHAM MAIN needs people to deliver the NEWSLETTER on many blocks - if you don't get regular delivery, perhaps you would want to deliver it on your block.

Call 561-8981 and we will try to match you with a block and about 30 NEWSLETTERS monthly.

HOW TO THROW AWAY LARGE ITEMS

Do you have a sofa, a TV, an old stove or something else too large for the regular Monday trash pick-up?

CALL 274-1811!!

COMPLAINTS? CALL THE ACTION CENTER 274-2222.

Dues are \$1 00 year (50¢ under 21)

Please return the membership blank on the reverse side at our December Meeting/Party Saturday December 20 at 9 a.m. at St. Paul's Church, 40th & Walnut

OR
Mail to: Eunice Collins, Treasurer
Gillham Main Neighborhood Assn.
4040 Locust
K.C., Mo. 64110

JOIN WITH US NOW

(Crime Prevention - Continued from page 1)
THE SECOND FAMILY!

THIS DRAMA HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE GILLHAM MAIN CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE.

BOTH OF THESE STORIES ARE FROM OUR NEIGHBORHOOD THIS YEAR & TRUE.

Gillham Main wants to work with everyone to make our neighborhood safer.

What do you know about locks?
How safe is your home?
Can you prove it is your TV set when it is placed next to another TV just like yours?

LET GILLHAM MAIN HELP YOU

ELECTRIC ENGRAVER.
FREE HOME SECURITY CHECKS BY THE POLICE
WHISTLESTOP

CALL 561-8981 for more information.

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*Breakfast
With Santa!*

You and your family are cordially invited to have "BREAKFAST WITH SANTA"

December 13, 1975
8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon
Westport United Prebyterian Church
201 Westport Road

Children - 75¢ Adults - \$1.50

(A fund raising project for Westport Cooperative Mission's 3 day care centers.)

Tickets may be purchased at the door.

Please use the parking lot entrance.

NEWSPAPERS
December 22nd to 28th
Central Presbyterian Church
Armour & Campbell
Call 931-2515 for pickup & information.

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REMEMBER TO BUY YOUR WHISTLE AT J & G Market, 43rd & Oak or at Westport Library, 118 Westport.

Another Election Coming

CANDIDATES FOR THE JANUARY 20th SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION will speak at the January 12th meeting of the WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL at the Westport Roanoke Community Center, 3601 Roanoke Road at 7:30.

PLAN ON ATTENDING!



MERRY CHRISTMAS from G.M.N.A.

G.M.N.A. needs VOLUNTEERS.

1. To deliver the Newsletter.
2. To do neighborhood Surveys.
3. To work on crime Prevention programs.

Come to our meetings and volunteer or Call 561-8981.

The Newly Elected

GILLHAM MAIN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
PRES. Jim Watt 4001 Oak 531-1949
V.P. Norma Rickel 315 E. 43rd 561-8075
SEC. Walt Wells 4061 McGee 561-8981
TREAS. Eunice Collins 4040 Locust 753-3763

REPRESENTATIVES TO:
WESTPORT COMMUNITY COUNCIL:
Carl Wilson 4144 Warwick 756-0365
Peggy Wallace 4133 Locust 531-7783
WESTPORT PLAN COMMISSION:
Tracy Leonard 4326a Locust 561-4674
Ruth Allen 4301 Warwick 931-4998
BROADWAY WESTPORT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION:
Pat Kroll 4320 Oak 561-5381
Dorothy Hale 4101 Locust 931-4643
CITY WIDE COALITION OF NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS:
Jim Dawson 1121 Manheim Road 531-4933
Julie Cooper 4341 Locust 753-1776
Caron Wells 4061 McGee 561-8981

Please contact members of the Executive Committee with your concerns and questions about our neighborhood.

I wish to be a member of the Gillham Main Neighborhood Association during 1975 - 1976

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

I am a resident a property owner employed in the area

Enclosed is \$1 dues for each membership (Additional member names on attached paper.)

To keep the neighborhood informed of activities of interest a newsletter is published monthly. More newsletter delivery persons are needed. If a copy is not regularly delivered to your door, pick up your copy at J & G Market, 43rd & Oak or

_____ enclosed is \$1.75 to mail the newsletter for 12 months.