

WESTPORT

The Westport Trucker comes out approximately once a week and is distributed free throughout the loose boundrys of Westport. At present I'm it's sole staff member and I'd be lying if I said I was unbiased. Even if what is written here is slanted, I'm not trying to jive anyone. At least it's one persons Version of the truth.

Any messages to or comments about the Trucker would be grately appreciated and should be brought to Tiny Tim's Magic Circus at 40th & Broadway.

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WANDERING RIFFS, PART 1
(note: this entire article is a product of daydreaming in the park)

Not a hole lot to say this week. No busts, no big hassels, mostly just easy vibes, more people on the streets too.

Last year when the park concerts started on a regular basis, we'd pull as many as 6 to 8 thousand people through the course of an average Sunday. People would come all right, but they weren't very together once they got there. The park concerts were a good start, though, and showed people that things could be gotten' going if they'd just get off their butts and do them. Along with the Screw, the Sign Coffie House, the K C Free Press, Project Pepperland, the Mother Love Free Store, the Estatic Umbrella, and all our other often fumbling attempts to build a community, the park turned on a hell of a lotta' people.

The Sunday concerts are pulling almost twice the multitudes they did last year, they have an

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OLSON DENIES TEACHING AWARD

A committee composed of three students and three faculty members from U.M.K.C. submitted the name of Prof. William Daly to Chancelor Olson for final approval for the 1,000 dollar award that Standard Oil gives to outstanding teachers each year. The chancelor however decided not to give the award to Daly for what the Awards Committee feels are political reasons. Since the committee was unable to get the chancelor to reconcider, a fund was initiated to get the plaque and raise the money they felt was right-fully Daly's.

The money was easily raised and was awarded to Daly at the assembly on Thursday, May 21st in Pierson Hall. It was presented by the students as Chancelor Olson and other outside agitators looked on.

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MOTHER LOVE

Being the Grand Minister of Funk of Mother Love, this is one subject I'm afraid I'm going to be biased as hell about. First of all we have a number of good concerts

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even more important difference too, the general attitude is no longer, "Damn it! when are the bands going to start?" More and more people are learning to simply dig on what's happening instead of dwelling on what isn't.

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A true community has yet to develop in Westport although it's tribal beginnings are clearly evident... the Circus Family, Ice, the Estatic Umbrella, Children of Casperland, the Family, Stoneface, Mother Love, the House of OZ, and countless other little families living communally throughout Westport, be they craftsmen, parents, rock bands, or just plain old street freaks who work only when the situation forces them.

Good rock bands, jobs if you really look, no heavy police hassel or smack/speed scenes. Mellow. Too mellow for a lot'a people, they want to go some place with a nameor at least anywhere else but here. New York, Taos, San Francisco, Boulder, L.A., Toronto, they'll probably be tripping off to new scenes for the rest of their happy, hippy lives. What ever's right, I guess. At the risk of sounding conservative, (very un-hip) I like the way Westport's coming together, steadily, un-hurried, quiet, and solid.

Few places make it this far. The old Haight-Ashbury is one that made it here but in it's idealism, it mistook it's tribes for a community. Tribes made up of people who like any other people had fears, and jealousies, pride and prejudice. Some of the human barriers were broken down, most remained. They tried at least. The center, never really solid, couldn't hold. Would more time have helped? Less hipocracy?

Now there's Westport. Do you ever wonder what's going to happen here? Maby you could care less. It may sound corny as hell but what happens depends on how well you get your shit together with the people around you.

Dig?


lined up at Volker, for the immediate future, Ice, the Clay Kirkland Blues Band, and Impulse Federation are coming down on the 31st, and Dig this, starting June 6th, bands will be appearing on Saturdays for jam sessions. Free music Saturdays and Sundays. As for central Westport, a combination free store and office will be opened in June and we're working with other folks, like the Blue Rock Record Gallery, to get together street dances on West Westport Rd., The first one will begin at 6 P.M. this Friday night (24) with Pig Newton and Will Foxx, free food too.

On the physical level at Volker Park, Mother Love needs immediate help so that we can start building a moduel stage for the groups. A moduel stage is made up of a number of platforms that are easily portable and can be assembeled, like building blocks, to reform a solid, raised floor. Obviously we need money and/or lumber, transportation and a place to keep the moduels (we can't keep them at the park) and people to do the actual constructing. Also, since the city always put off the building of a drinking fountain at the park, Mother Love said that if the city would supply blueprints and materials, we'd get it together. They agreed. In short IF YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO HAS EXPERIENCE IN CARPENTRY, PLUMBING, OR MASONARY WORK AND WOULD BE INTO HELPING, TELL THEM TO GET THEIR ASSES DOWN TO THE MAGIC CIRCUS ON 40th & BROADWAY, 753-9879 and to ask for either Dennis or Frank.

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WESTPORT LABOR

Say you need your basement cleaned out and you can pay someone to do it, or maby your the one who'd do the work. Contact Westport Labor at 931-4750. They just started and need support so if you can give a job, be it window washing, to babysitting, to typing, or need a job, call. The service is free.

START YOUR OWN PAPER IT'S FUN! 

M I S C E L L A N E O U S

Appearing this week at the Aquarius will be Stone Wall on Friday the 29th and Will Foxx on Saturday.

The Great Poster Show was robbed again on the night of May 11-12 of about \$150 in merchandise.

Want a cat? Jessie Nichols has almost a dozen of them that he must find homes for by the end of the Week. Four mellowed out older cats, four groovy, black and white kittens to give away, and two Siamese Cats who need temporary homes till mid-August. If intrested, you can contact Jessie at [redacted].

The OZ House requests that people stop sending run-aways and crashers to their home. Several mothers live there and if someone should get busted they could loose their children. Dig?

The Sign Coffie House is now open from 11 A.M. on. Good food.

Every Saturday Momma will be conducting palm and tarrot card readings at the Today Shop on Westport Rd.

Six heavy smack dealers were busted in the ghetto this week and reliable sources say most of the town is dry now. Beware grass dealers, if the city follows its regular pattern, your next. By the way, Lommax, head of the vice squad, was wounded in one of the raids.

Guru Frank Martz reports orgy butter sails up. Right On!

GATHERING OF THE TRIBES

FREE BANDS

PIG NEWTON
WILL FOXX

AT
WESTPORT
&
PENNSYLVANIA
STREETS

FREE FOOD

FRIDAY, MAY 29
6 P.M. - ?

Remember folks. Hukuhukunukunukuapuawa means little fish in Hawaiian.