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Posting: Gales Music Store	Posting 1
Poster: William Brainard	
Date: 11 July 2006 10:44 PM	
<p>Anyone remember when the Bruce Gale and his family ran the music store on Main Street? That brings to mind Sweeney's which I spent hours in. Remember when the Hoot was on Main Street? Zeising Brothers Bookshop? Whatever happened to those two brothers? Mario's bakery and their crumbcake and egg bread? They had the best chocolate chip cookies! The Clark House? A&P and its package store on Valley Street? Barkers, "Open 10 tp 10", Bonanza Sirloin Pit in the Willimantic Plaza? Grants Bradford House? Pizza House where Tyler Square is now? Burger Chef? The old trolley barn? Radio Shack and Shop Rite in Willimantic Plaza? No Eastbrook Mall? Now that's a novel idea!</p>	
Posting: Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 2
Poster: r d	
Date: 12 July 2006 2:37 PM	
<p>I remember one music store on the corner of Main and Bank St which I think was or became Art's Jewelers. The other record/music store I use to shop at was on Church St btween Main and Valley. Thats when they had individual listening booths--also prior to 45's. Use to listen to the 78's and I still have a number of those on hand. The 70's "redevelopment" destroyed a lot of good businesses on Church and North streets.</p>	
Posting: Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 3
Poster: John Boudreau	
Date: 12 July 2006 4:42 PM	
<p>Mike Zeizing is teaching in Thailand .</p> <p>I rememeber Gales , but I used to take drum lessons and buy most of my stuff down at The New England Conservatory Of Music (big name . tiny store !) down near the footbridge . What is the name of that street that runs parallel to the bridge anyway ? There used to be a bar , and at the end of the street Mike's where we bought our fake beers and played pinball .</p>	
Posting: Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 4
Poster: John Boudreau	
Date: 12 July 2006 4:47 PM	
<p>My friend's Dad (Freddy Mondino ...Dad's name was Alfred)) ran Art's Jeweler's and it was between Bruce's Shoe's (where my uncle Norman Dutil was manager) and the H.C. Murray Co. store . Lizee's Jewelers was across the street .</p>	
Posting: Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 5
Poster: John Boudreau	
Date: 12 July 2006 5:03 PM	
<p>Railroad Street , right ? Was the bar named Frontenac's ?</p>	
Posting: Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 6
Poster: Jack Farrell	
Date: 12 July 2006 8:29 PM	
<p>Re: "Railroad Street , right ? Railroad Street right, on both sides of the Foot Bridge.</p> <p>Was the bar named Frontenac's ?"</p> <p>The bar was "The Frontenac". I don't know who owned/ran it. I was a bit young to be a patron!! Maybe they figured that naming it after the famous Chateau Frontenac would add some class but it missed by a mile!</p> <p>A bar is a bar is a bar is a.....! Remember, too, that was pre-WWII.</p>	
Posting: Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 7
Poster: John Boudreau	
Date: 12 July 2006 9:25 PM	
<p>Thanks !</p> <p>Yea , I was too young as well . You had " The Frontenac " and " The New England Conservatory of Music right next door to each other . Classy , huh ? ;)</p>	
Posting: Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 8
Poster: John Boudreau	
Date: 12 July 2006 9:37 PM	

William ,

Mark Zeizing runs Zeizing Bookstore , now in CA !

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 9
 Poster: Jack Farrell
 Date: 13 July 2006 9:48 PM

"The New England Conservatory of Music right next door....." Am I missing something here?

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 10
 Poster: Jack Farrell
 Date: 13 July 2006 9:50 PM

OK, I just didn't go back far enough in the thread. 'Nuff said!!

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 11
 Poster: r d
 Date: 14 July 2006 8:13 AM

In my post I referred to Art's Jewelers being at Main and Bank but now I believe it was Roy's Jewelers--anyone remember it?

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 12
 Poster: John Boudreau
 Date: 14 July 2006 9:32 AM

As I said , ART'S was between Bruce's Shoe Store and H.C. Murray's . Yes , I remember Rob Roy's , too .

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 13
 Poster: Ada Kerachsky Albright
 Date: 15 July 2006 11:01 AM

Rob Roy had his jewelery store on Union Street, across from Charlie Martin's music store and next door to Morris Hardware & Supply.

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 14
 Poster: Ernie Gesner
 Date: 15 July 2006 11:58 AM

In 1954 I bought my future wife an engagement ring and our 2 wedding rings from a jewelry store in Willimantic. It was on the South side of Main St just west of Railroad St. I don't remember the name of the store but our marriage has lasted over 52 years.

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 15
 Poster: John Boudreau
 Date: 15 July 2006 5:08 PM

Are you sure it wasn't east of Railroad Street ? I know Lizee's was on the south side just east of RR .

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 16
 Poster: Francis Sellars
 Date: 15 July 2006 6:17 PM

ERNIE G,

Was the jewelry store Smith & Keon? I believe that was the only jewelry store west of the foot bridge on the south side. It was in the eastbrook mall,I don't know if it is still there. Wow 52 years that is a long haul, wish you and your wife many more.

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 17
 Poster: William Brainard
 Date: 15 July 2006 10:11 PM

Last I knew it was still in Eastbrook Mall; they used to be on Main Street. My aunt used them to appraise my grandmother's jewelry and the inventory list says Main Street. This dates back to 1955-56. Haven't they been in the mall since it opened in 1975? Geez, is that 31 years ago already!!! Smith-Keon WAS the place in Willimantic in its day. My folks got their wedding bands and Mother's engagement ring at Lux Bond & Green in 1941. She chose a star ruby with diamond chips around it. One could actually see the "star" in the sunlight. Beautiful ring!

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 18
 Poster: John Boudreau
 Date: 16 July 2006 9:19 AM

Hey Bill ...I gave you info on the Zeisings ...I've given you info, or answered queries you had , in the past ...The least you could do is acknowledge ...Sheesh !

Posting: Re: Gales Music Store Posting 19
 Poster: John Tormey
 Date: 16 July 2006 12:57 AM

I have a Windham "Croakings" in front of me at the moment. It's from 1953. That's the high school newspaper. Here are some biz locations plus info from that era as evidenced in the ads.

Art's Jewelers (Complete Jewelry Line)
Repairs - Gifts - Accessories
744 Main Street

The Campus Shop "Spillanes" (Just Down the Hill)
49 High Street

Windham Electric Co. -- Your Headquarters for radios, records, record players
48 Church Street

Noheimers - Choice Meats and Fresh Vegetables
52 Church Street

Brett Pharmacy -- "Your Drug Store" Opposite The Capitol Theatre
Tel. HA 3-1125

Meet Me At
CURRAN'S PHARMACY
Soda Fountain, Luncheonette, Candy
Main and Railroad Streets

HURLEY'S
700 Main Street

W. T. Grant Co. Dept. Store
759 Main Street

... And the beat goes on

Posting:	Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 20
Poster:	William Brainard	
Date:	16 July 2006 2:39 PM	

Sorry John; didn't mean to not acknowledge but I've been sick for over a year and have just gotten back into the internet. I humbly apologize! ;)

Posting:	Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 21
Poster:	John Boudreau	
Date:	17 July 2006 7:11 PM	

I was happily unaware of your illness . Hope you are well on the mend .

I knew Mike Zeizing pretty well back in the 80's , but we eventually lost touch with each other after I came to Japan in 1985 . Coincidence that he ended up in Asia as well (Thailand) .

Posting:	Re: Gales Music Store	Posting 22
Poster:	William Brainard	
Date:	17 July 2006 8:13 PM	

Yeah, it's been a trial; chronic venous insufficiency in both legs. Venous stasis leg ulcers on my left leg. Have had cellulitis twice this year so far; one hospitalization and a stint at Marlborough Health Center nearly 3 months. I just started driving again for the first time since day before Thanksgiving 2005. My Buick Lesabre ('94) has had a long rest. The thing with cellulitis is that it is blood poisoning and if one doesn't get on antibiotics asap it's lights out. Once it gets into your bloodstream it starts shutting major organs down and there is not too much they can do at that juncture. I'm constantly eyeballing both legs for wounds, scrapes, rashes, etc. And must be careful with the sun as the skin is very fragile and breaks down easily. I wouldn't wish this malady on my worst enemy. It's genetic and the medicos don't know too much about it. But, it is managable with lifestyle changes, stress adjustment. Out of control or neglect of the disease can be a dangerous situation. I've had major health probs since I was tossed from a truck holding a steam jenny when the driver took a last minute turn on a hill back in 1974. Almost lost left arm due to compound fracture of humerus. Hardware rejection and all sorts of complications. So, I'm damn grateful to be here; must have a guardian angel somewhere!