

**East Lawrence Neighborhood Association
CDBG 2nd Quarter Performance Report - Nov
Dec Jan 2010-2011**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity Description</u>	<u># of Attendees</u>
1-Nov-10	ELNA General Meeting	20
2-Nov-10	Meeting with Hugh Carter (CC Candidate)	5
2-Nov-10	New York Elementary Site Council	
4-Nov-10	LAN Meeting	14
5-Nov-10	ELNA Downzoning meeting	4
8-Nov-10	Dillon's Meeting @ CJHS	90+
11-Nov-10	Energy Conservation Meeting and Planning Session	11
17-Nov-10	Douglas County Commission (neighborhoods issue)	50+
20-Nov-10	ELNA CDBG Application Task Force	8
23-Nov-10	LAN Committee Meeting (re: ONA)	9
29-Nov-10	USD 497 Lawrence Elementary School Facilities Vision Task Force Meeting	
2-Dec-10	LAN Meeting	12
6-Dec-10	USD 497 Lawrence Elementary School Facilities Vision Task Force Meeting	
6-Dec-10	ELNA Board Meeting	16
7-Dec-10	New York Elementary Site Council	
31-Dec-10	Meeting with ELNA Treasurer and ELNA Coordinator	3
3-Jan-11	USD 497 Lawrence Elementary School Facilities Vision Task Force Meeting	
3-Jan-11	ELNA General Meeting	10
4-Jan-11	New York Elementary Site Council	
5-Jan-11	Conversation with Michael Almon re: Dillon's and NA'	2
6-Jan-11	LAN Meeting	14
7-Jan-11	Lawrence Take Charge Challenge	25+
7-Jan-11	Spoke with Rebecca Buford @ TTH re: 1327 New Jersey	2
7-Jan-11	Spoke with Lynne Zoellner re: EL projects	2
7-Jan-11	Spoke with Scott McCullough re: Dillon's, Poehler Building, and 711 Connecticut	
7-Jan-11	Spoke with Attny Jim Kaup re: Dillon's	2
8-Jan-11	Attended Carnegie Library Open House (50+
8-Jan-11	Spoke with David Corliss and Aron Cromwell re: Poehler	2
10-Jan-11	ELNA Strategy Session re: NY School	7
15-Jan-11	Walkthrough @ 711 Connecticut (w/ Mike Goans, Jos)	6
17-Jan-11	USD 497 Lawrence Elementary School Facilities Vision Task Force Meeting	
17-Jan-11	ELNA Website Task Force	3
18-Jan-11	MLK Chili Feed	200+
18-Jan-11	Met with Bob Schumm re: CC election	2
19-Jan-11	Met with Michael Almon (neighborhood issues)	2
21-Jan-11	Meeting with Dillon's, COL, and Neighborhoods re: pr	17
24-Jan-11	USD 497 Board of Education Meeting	

25-Jan-11	Met with ELNA Coordinator	2
25-Jan-11	CC Meeting (re: RM32, Congregate Living Amend., F 50+	
29-Jan-11	Lawrence Take Charge Challenge event at Liberty Hç400+	
29-Jan-11	Spoke with CC Mike Dever re: Rental Registration	2
31-Jan-11	USD 497 Lawrence Elementary School Facilities Vision Task Force Me	

Monthly HRC Meetings	At least one ELNA rep per HRC meeting
Every Thursday	We have been sending out a weekly email newsletter that goes to 400 plus folks on our email list (members over the past 3 years, and those who ask to be added).

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East Lawrence News

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January 2011



ELNA General Meeting

Mon., Jan. 3
7-9 p.m.
New York School
Library
9th and New York St.

Agenda includes:

- School Task Force
- YART Sale
- Website

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ELNA Elects New Officers

ELNA had its annual meeting on Monday, November 1st. We had a great turnout and elected a mix of new and established voices to the board. ELNA looks forward to a great 2011, as the new board has a lot of energy and ideas for the neighborhood. You can find their contact info on the front page of this newsletter. In the newsletter, there is a short bio on each member. Please take some time to read and get to know your ELNA board. And if you see these folks around the neighborhood, congratulate them and thank them for their service.

Here are the neighbors who will be serving you this year.

President: Deron Belt

Vice President: KT Walsh

Treasurer: Phil Collison

Secretary: Bill Wachpress

Board Members: Scott Frazier, Jim Garner, Brenda Nunez, Leslie Soden, Josh Davis, Nick Brown, Jacki Becker, Christine Kosirog, Aaron Paden

ELNA Celebrates the Holidays

December was a festive month for ELNA. We adopted a family from the Ballard Community Services through the Holiday Bureau program, turned our board meeting into a holiday party and wrapped the gifts at the party. ELNA would like to thank the Percolator Art Space for allowing us to use their gallery for the party.

Board member Christine Kosirog organized ELNA's adopt-a-family project. Neighbors purchased and donated gifts, gift cards and food vouchers. We would like to thank all the people who took part in this project. As a neighborhood, we helped a family of seven, with an outpouring of gifts and food. Thank you to all who took part.

23rd Annual

Dr. Martin Luther King Chili Feed

New York Elementary will host the annual Dr. Martin Luther King Chili Feed on Tuesday, January 11th from 5:30 to 7:00. The public is invited to the community celebration of the life of Dr. King. Come join your neighbors and support New York Elementary by enjoying a bowl of chili (there will be a vegetarian option), crackers, carrot/celery, dessert and drinks. There is no set cost. Instead, diners will be asked for a donation.

From the President



It's been a busy holiday season here at ELNA, below are some of the happenings:

As we transition from 2010 to 2011, ELNA welcomes several new and returning Board Members. Look inside for their bios. Thank you all for allowing me to continue to serve another year as ELNA President. I would like to thank all members and volunteers for their service. Surrounded by capable and thoughtful people makes serving the East Lawrence Neighborhood very rewarding.

After our wildly successful fall clean-up day along the Burroughs Creek Trail, there is some talk about a combined EL and Brook Creek effort to do the more of the same next spring. Keep an eye out for that. What projects would you like to see ELNA tackle for our work days?

The neighborhood has been made more aware of the Dillon's project at 19th and Mass. Depictions of the potential store can be viewed inside the existing store. If you have ANY comments or concerns about this project, please pass those along to ELNA or to Dillon's itself as soon as possible. We are keenly interested in how this moves forward and how Kroger interprets and/or handles the community's many concerns surrounding the site.

The 2011 CDBG grant application was submitted on time. Thanks to all those who helped produce this document! This version was much more cogent and comprehensive than the version we submitted last year. Whatever CDBG funding we receive, our goal is to continue communicating relevant issues and events to neighbors.

We have been considering some changes to our website (www.eastlawrence.org). What, if anything, would you like to see from the ELNA website? Your input is much appreciated.

At the time of printing, the City Commission had taken up revisions to the environmental chapter of Horizon 2020, the Congre-

gate Living Amendment, and "apartment" rezoning related to RM32 areas. All of these potential changes are consequential to East Lawrence. For more information, please go to <http://www.ci.lawrence.ks.us/pds/>.

The Yart Sale is tentatively planned for Saturday, March 26th. This sale is ELNA's most significant annual fund-raiser. If you would like to volunteer, donate gently used goods or are an artist and would like to have a booth, please contact us at eastlawrence@yahoo.com. We need people to help in all aspects of the event. Happy New Year!

Assistance Available for Home Energy Costs

If you need help with your energy bills this winter, there are state and local programs to help.

- **Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP)** is a state program that helps households pay a portion of their home energy costs through a **onetime per year benefit** sent directly to your energy provider. Any remaining portions of your bill must be paid by you.

Applications for assistance must be made between January 13 – March 31. There are both income and family guidelines for assistance. Call or visit your local SRS office, 1-800-432-0043, or go online, www.srs.ks.gov/services/Pages/LIEAP.aspx, to find out if you are eligible or to apply.

- **Turn It On!** offers utility assistance to help households whose utilities have already been shut off only. To find out about assistance, contact Trinity Lutheran Church (12th & New Hampshire, 843-4150). Donations are gratefully accepted for this program.

- **Warm Hearts** offers up to \$300 for heating assistance. Applications are available at Ballard Center, Douglas County Senior Services, ECKAN, Penn House, and the Salvation Army. For more info:

www.warmheartsofdouglascounty.com. Tax-deductible donations are accepted for this program.

- **Project Deserve** helps pay the Westar Energy electric bills of people with a severe disability and older adults (people 60 years or older). Eligible households may receive one-time annual payments of up to \$300 to be applied toward their Westar Energy electric bills. The American Red Cross determines eligibility. For assistance, contact the Douglas County American Red Cross Chapter, 785-843-3550.

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January & February Calendar

January

- **2nd – Train Depot Clean-up, 3-4:30pm,**
BNSF Depot, 7th & NY Streets
- **3rd - ELNA General Meeting, 7-9pm,**
New York School Library
- **4th – NY School Site Council, 5:30pm,**
NY School Library
- **11th – MLK Chili Feed, 5:30-7pm –**
New York Elementary

February

- **1st – NY School Site Council, 5:30pm,**
NY School Library
- **6th – Train Depot Clean-up, 3-4:30pm,**
BNSF Depot, 7th & NY Streets
- **7th – ELNA Board Meeting, 7-9pm,**
New York School Library

Fall Work Day

ELNA hosted a fall workday on Saturday, November 6th. It was one of our best workdays ever! The plan was to clean the area along the new bike path. A crew of about 30 people (an amazing number!) started at 15th street with bagels, donuts and coffee for breakfast. We then walked through the spillway towards Haskell Street picking up trash. As we worked, we separated the trash from recycling, which worked out well, because we ended at the 12th & Haskell Recycling Center. We recycled the plastic and glass, and sold the metals, raising funds for ELNA (\$8.33). Out of curiosity, we threw the bags of trash on their scales – the group collected approximately 595 pounds of trash! A good day's work! Thank you to everyone who came out. It was an truly community building day.

Thank You

The following are ELNA neighbors and friends who came out for the work day and/or participated in the Adopt-a-Holiday-Family project. It's quite an impressive list of volunteers. Thank you to all who participated!

Frank Schawaller	David Gundy	Nick Brown
Mary Harwood	KT Walsh	Shannon Gorres
Deron Belt	Karen Seibel	Joe Bickford
Tim Keogh	Mike Yoder	marci francisco
Libby Keogh	Scott Frazier	Emily Peterson
Rhea Scott	Jim Garner	Jacki Becker
Kansey Keogh	Bill Wachspres	Dave
Robert Krause	Christine Kosirog	Emily Cope
Molly Krause	Matt Pryor	Jaymie Nash
Lauren Krause	Lily Pryor	Phil Collison
Josh Davis	Elliott Pryor	Delaware St Commons
Cari Davis	Jerzy Pryor	Mike Myers
Will Davis	Ione Garrison	Nancy Myer
Andre Davis	Aaron Paden	Craig Patterson
Lisa Pool	Lilly Mason	Leslie Soden
Heather Coates	Arlo Paden	Brenda Nunez
Michelle Gundy	Oscar Paden	



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New York School Volunteer Recognized

We have many fine neighbors who do so many wonderful things without getting any recognition, it's nice when someone does. On November 17th, Natasha Naramore was one of 25 people named a "Friend of Education" by the Lawrence school district for all

of the time and effort she gives to New York Elementary. Natasha is active in New York's PTO and Site Council and can always be counted on to help wherever is needed.

From the event's program: "Natasha is a familiar face around New York Elementary. You might see her in the morning helping a kindergarten student on letter/sound recognition and by lunchtime on the playground with the 4th, 5th, and 6th grader's game of kickball. Our school grounds have benefited from her and her girls efforts of weeding flower beds, sweeping gravel off sidewalks, and helping with our big clean up day in the fall..."

Natasha has also been active in welcoming new students transitioning from Kennedy, volunteering at the yearly Martin Luther King Day of Caring, and organizing volunteers to help with the school lunch routine.

Perhaps her contributions are best summed up in the closing quote from the program's write-up on her: "Natasha's warm and welcoming smile and sincere desire for New York to be a great school are the main reasons the staff at New York recognized Natasha as our Friend of Education."

If you see Natasha out and about, congratulate her and thank her for the wonderful work she does!

Get to Know Your ELNA Board

ELNA elected its new board at the November General Meeting. They all answered some questions, so that the neighbors can get to know them a little better. If you would like to talk to any of your board members, their contact information is on the front page of this newsletter. Here are the questions:

- 1) Number of years in the neighborhood?
- 2) Number of years serving on the ELNA board?
- 3) Why do you love East Lawrence?
- 4) Why did you join the board? What issues are important to you?
- 5) What keeps you on the ELNA board? What issues do you still want to see addressed in the neighborhood?
- 6) What accomplishments are you proud of as an ELNA Board member?

Bill Wachspres

1. 18
2. 18
3. I love East Lawrence because of you, neighbors. You are diverse, creative people living from your hearts and spirits. You make this a fun and fascinating place. I also love walking downtown or running past farm fields ten minutes from my door.

4. I wasn't active in any community organization. I felt I was missing something. Then I moved to East Lawrence and was on the Board within a week. I found what I was missing, and I'm still here. I'm interested in sustainability and preserving the wonderful character of our residential neighborhood.

5. Serving on the ELNA Board keeps me connected to the community I love. Together, we can ensure that:

- Our historic neighborhood is preserved for future generations
- New York Elementary gets what it needs to prosper
- Our unique downtown remains vibrant
- Our city's disadvantaged are cared for, and don't fall through the cracks

6. Stopping the Eastern Parkway that threatened to chop our neighborhood to bits

- Envisioning a Lawrence Arts Center on New Hampshire St.
- Establishing a daytime shelter for Lawrence's homeless
- Bringing the Neighborhood Association back when it nearly collapsed
- Beginning the restoration of our historic brick streets



Brenda Joyce Nunez

1. Since 1958.
2. Off and on for 30 years.
3. I can't put into words why I love East Lawrence. I just have lots of history, good and bad.
4. I enjoy being useful.

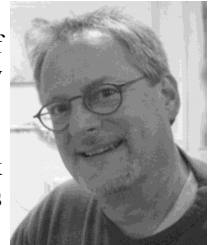
Scott Frazier

- 1) 8 yrs
- 2) Newbie
- 3) I love the sense of community that I've always felt with 26yrs in Lawrence and I feel that more strongly in East Lawrence than any other part of town that I've lived in.
- 4) I joined ELNA because I wanted to participate in the processes that most directly impact the area that I live and play in. I'm concerned that as the city grows west, their spending priorities are shifting and I hope my voice can help keep focus on maintaining the quality of life in the parts of town that give Lawrence its charm.



Phil Collison

- 1) 6 yrs, but 30 yrs of knowing folds on my block
- 2) 5 yrs
- 3) It's an easy walk downtown and it has good ambience.
- 4) I want to participate in the dialogue. Building community is my issue. I want to build consensus so that all voices can be heard.
- 5) ELNA has a heritage that has brought about positive change in our neighborhood. At one time my block was slated to be a major trafficway. Today we enjoy the fruits of the labors of the hard work that came before us. This has created an environment where we have wide varieties of incomes and backgrounds. I want to work so that that kind of diversity can continue.
- 6) I believe we have improved our communication to our neighbors by going to an eight page newsletter, developing the Thursday ELNA email news and by developing our web presence.



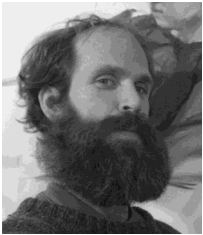
Deron Belt

- 5) ELNA's main task is to communicate neighborhood concerns to pertinent governing bodies, organizations, groups, etc. I enjoy participating in this process. I would like to see ELNA follow through with more historic preservation work in the neighborhood. It may also benefit EL to consider the rezoning of certain areas to match their current use.
- 6) I'm particularly proud of ELNA's quick work in changing the by-laws, our successful YART Sale, and the well-attended Fall Clean-up Day. That said, I'm impressed with all the work we did in 2010 and I appreciate ELNA's drive to remain relevant.



Leslie Soden

- 1) 8 yrs
- 2) 6 yrs
- 3) East Lawrence is full of fun, friendly and creative people.
- 4) Historic preservation and protecting our one-of-a-kind neighborhood from short-term thinking and short-term interests.
- 5) Historic preservation is a never-ending issue on all levels with residents, landlords and governments. Continuing to promote energy efficiency and sustainability. Community building of homeowners and tenants.
- 6) Giving away rain barrels to neighbors.



Aaron Paden

- 1. Only 3.5 years in the hood.
- 2. 0 years on the ELNA board.
- 3. The people, the houses, the history, and the location. A

list of things that make me smile: Yard art, The Farnsworth Bicycle Laboratory, chickens, food sharing, mural painting, co-housing communities, New York school, Social service league, Sunday night Kickball games, the downtown, percolator gallery, community gardens, concerts in the park, brick streets, local business, music on the porches, dogs being walked, tools being shared, free sales, the ELNA Thursday update and all the beautiful trees. If I could live anywhere in the world I would live in East Lawrence.

4. I joined because I plan to be in East Lawrence until I'm ready to be composted - I feel like I should participate in keeping East Lawrence a great place to live. Issues in no particular order:

- 1. Social development of the neighborhood.
- 2. Keeping housing stock affordable yet encouraging upkeep.
- 3. Neighborhood schools - keeping East Lawrence family friendly.
- 4. Monitoring gentrification / development with the intent to keep or expand the heterogeneous community and accessibility of the neighborhood.

Jacki Becker

- 1) 6 yrs
- 2) I am a virgin board member
- 3) I heart East Lawrence because it's a bit quirky, it's close to downtown, it's a mix of business and homes, and because our neighborhood is fairly AOK that every Sunday night in the summer hundreds of townies gather at Hobbs and play, cheer and celebrate the great sport of kickball.



4) I joined because part of what makes a neighborhood great is having anchors. We almost lost one of those anchors last year in NY School. Even though I don't have kids, having a school is what helps neighborhoods flourish. In addition, I would like to see the continuation of old home preservation and a reasonable amount of continued home-business growth in the area.

Christine Kosirog

- 1. 9 years
- 2. About 6 months
- 3. I think KT once said that East Lawrence is 'gritty and real', that is what I love about it. The heart and soul of this neighborhood is palpable no matter where in the boundaries you go. We are a neighborhood that wears our heart on our sleeve instead of hiding it behind overly manicured lawns or cookie cutter houses. We are a collective of passionate, independent, and endlessly fascinating people with interesting lives and stories that give our city texture.
- 4. See next question



5. I want to continue working on creating more ways we can celebrate our neighborhood and mark our accomplishments. I am also ready, with the help of fellow board members and neighbors, to protect the integrity of our neighborhood in the face of inevitable (but not always positive) growth and change that retail, industry, and shifting budgets bring. The future of Lawrence schools, especially NY elementary, is also high on my list of important issues.

6. I am thrilled with how well the neighborhood came together to provide gifts for our adopted family. Even in a time when everyone is feeling a financial strain we provided a large family a fabulous holiday spread because so many people stepped up and gave what they were able.

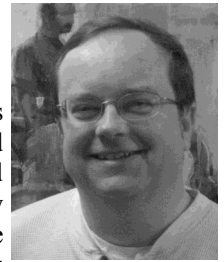


Nick Brown

- 1) 3.5
- 2) 2
- 3) I love East Lawrence because of the economic and cultural diversity, the camaraderie and support among neighbors, and the history still breathing in these old brick streets.
- 4) I joined the board because I feel invested in the ongoing developments of this East Lawrence Community and the ELNA board seems to be one of the best places to plug in. Also, I think I might be the youngest member of the ELNA Board, and I think my generational perspective holds value in addressing the myriad of issues that the ELNA board works on.

Jim Garner

- 1) 8 yrs
- 2) Just joined
- 3) Each block has its own unique feel and personality. And there are so many creative people in the neighborhood. It's real.



4) I joined because I have some time to give and I think it's important to be a part of things you care about - and I care about the neighborhood. There is not a particular issue specifically important to me - just doing what we can to keep the area vibrant.

Josh Davis

- 1) 10 yrs
- 2) 2 yrs
- 3) It is a perfect collection of imperfections
- 4) I like trying to be helpful. Working to keep New York open is very important to me.
- 5) There are good people here and as a board member, they let me hang out with them.



KT Walsh

- 1) 33 yrs
- 2) 12, with breaks. Member of ELNA since I moved here.
- 3) I love the friendly people, the sharing of time, tools and skills that goes on constantly. The hand-built vernacular architecture, the rich history from the eleven Native tribes that moved through here, the exodusters fleeing the Jim Crow south, all the hard working people who raised families here and fought to keep our modest homes from being paved over, the street art and music...
- 4) I was inspired by Terri Tork, Shelly Miller, Richard Kershenbaum, Barry Shalinsky and all the fearless ELNA members.
- 5) The camaraderie, hanging out with kind, funny, smart people and the sense that together we can protect and celebrate our neighborhood so the kiddos can grow up proud.
- 6) Winning the used toilet plunger at the YART Sale.

YART Sale – Save the Date!

We have set the date for the YART sale, Saturday, **March 26th in the New York School Gym**. The Yart sale is ELNA's annual fundraiser, where neighbors donate their gently used items to sell, local artists come and sell their creations, and we are all entertained by our neighborhood musicians.

Here's what you can do to prepare for this neighborhood event:

Donate Your Gently Used Items – Start collecting your gently used items now to donate. You can put donations in KT's barn at any time.

Sell Your Art - We are putting out a call for artists (you will be asked to donate 10% of your earnings to ELNA). Contact Heather at eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you would like to vend.

Central Jr High Fun Run

The Annual Central Junior High Fun Run was held Friday, October 29th. Thanks to dedicated students, teachers and friends, along with the generous support of the community, a record \$23,000 was raised during the event.

The race started at 2.30pm with former Basketball Star Bud Stallworth as the official starter. All kids participated in the 2-mile run/walk. Healthy snacks were provided in the gym after the race. All the money raised benefits the students at the school. Money is spent on student agendas, supplies, uniforms, scholarships and various student activities. Many of these would not be possible without the direct support of the community.

The teachers and administrators of CJHS would like to thank the families and friends in East Lawrence for their continued support of our school and for their help in this year's event.

Volunteers Needed for Safe Winter Walkways Program

Able-bodied Lawrence residents with a passion for helping others and an enjoyment of winter weather are needed to volunteer for the "Safe Winter Walkways" program. To create safer and more accessible pedestrian walkways, the City of Lawrence has joined with Douglas County Senior Services to match residents needing assistance with snow removal with volunteers who want to do a neighborly good deed.

This year, the city is again offering online registration which will allow volunteers to be assigned a match before the first snow event of the season. Volunteers will be asked to commit to the winter season and visit his or her matched home each time snow falls.

Volunteers can sign up by calling (785) 832-3338 or registering online at http://lawrenceks.org/safe_winter_walkways

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Make ELNA Your New Year's Resolution

We know there a lot of you out there keep meaning to send in your ELNA membership registration, but it always slips your mind. Or maybe you joined a couple of years ago and never get around to renewing your membership (remember, your ELNA membership is only good for one year). The New Year is a great time to send in that membership.

Joining ELNA is easy. Simply fill out the form in this newsletter and mail it in. Or you can go to the East Lawrence website, eastlawrence.org, download a form and send it in. Membership is a bargain at ONE DOLLAR per person (not per address). If you live out of the East Lawrence boundaries, the price is a low, low \$5 per person. If you are an East Lawrence business, membership costs \$10.

We'd like to thank all the new and returning members who signed up as ELNA members. Our current membership numbers are at 195! If you have questions about the status of your membership, please contact Heather at eastlawrence@yahoo.com. These people, businesses and organizations have joined since our last newsletter.

Val Romero
John Myers
Nikki Proudfoot
ES Lighting
Tom Adamson
Diane Adamson
Marysa Sacerdote
Claramae Highfill
Jacki Becker

Sharilyn Wells
Karen Hawk
Percolator Artspace
Carey Maynard-Moody
Codi Bates
Simon Bates
Mary J. Alexander
Mike Alexander

Take Charge Challenge – Make Your Home Warm

Lawrence and Manhattan will compete head-to-head this year in the **Take Charge Challenge!**, kicking off in early 2011. The City will be competing against Manhattan with \$25,000 from the state energy office to support promotion of the effort. The winning city will receive an energy efficiency or renewable energy community project worth up to \$100,000.

One of the key areas for determining the winner will be the number of enrollees from each community in Efficiency Kansas, a program for homeowners and small businesses to get an energy audit and make efficiency improvements. For more information on this program, you can go to, www.efficiencykansas.com/consumers.php or call 1-877-448-3185.

To find out more about the Take Charge Challenge, visit: www.lawrenceks.org/take_charge_challenge. Or contact Margaret Tran, Take Charge Challenge Lawrence Coordinator, takechargelawrence@gmail.com.

ELNA's metal recycling account at the 12th and **Haskell Recycle-Bargain Center** at 1146 Haskell turns your junk into \$\$\$ for ELNA. You can take ANYTHING metal to the south side of that building and the staff will help you unload. Take your ticket to the front and tell them to donate the \$\$\$ to the ELNA account. This is another fundraiser to help meet our budget for the year.

Central and New York School

Recycling: Both schools have dumpsters that now take all types of recyclables, except glass and plastic bags. Help our local schools raise funds—they get \$25/ton for your donations.

Save & deliver the following to our neighborhood school offices:

- HyVee receipts (for Central Jr High)
- Checkers receipts (for NY School)
- Box Tops for Education (Central & NY)

ELNA T-shirts are for sale for \$12.00 We have new colors and sizes! We now have shirts in light blue, burgundy, black, navy, royal blue, and brown. And we have green children's shirts in S,M,L. Get yours today! There is an order form on the back page of this newsletter. Or, contact Heather at eastlawrence@yahoo.com.

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HELP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD – GET A BIG BANG FOR A BUCK

Your dollar membership in ELNA and contact information give us more clout in our city and county government interactions.

Support us. Let us support you.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Apt. # _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

**Membership is \$1.00 per person
(\$5.00 out of neighborhood)**

Please deliver an ELNA T-shirt, \$12 ea: size _____ color _____

_____ Uni-sex (burgundy, black, navy, royal blue, brown)

_____ Women's cut (light blue, burgundy)

_____ Children's (green)

_____ I would like to join the ELNA yahoo group – please invite me

_____ Please send me email notice of ELNA Business and Events

_____ Yes, print my name in the newsletter as a new or returning member

Make Checks Payable to ELNA

Send payment to ELNA, PO Box 442393, Lawrence, KS 66044





**ELNA Needs Your Help-
Please Volunteer!**

Mark what ELNA events/skills you have that you would like to be contacted about to volunteer:

- Work Days
- YART Sale Volunteer
- Block Party Volunteer
- Adopt-A-Family at Christmas
- Artist
- Play Music
- Photography
- Gardening
- Running a Grill
- Fund Raising
- Historic Preservation
- Serving on ELNA Board
- Website Management
- Baking/Cooking
- Advertising Skills
- Other: _____

We're in it to win it!

Here are four easy ways to get started:

- 1 Schedule an Efficiency Kansas  home energy audit.
- 2 Make the switch  to compact fluorescent bulbs.
- 3 Enroll in your utility's  energy efficiency program.
- 4 Attend a Take Charge! Challenge  event.

Visit TakeChargeKansas.org to register your switches



**Take
Charge!**
CHALLENGE

WITH

