

Quarterly Neighborhood Performance Report - Quarter One (August-October) Due Nov. 10

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Each Neighborhood is required to have at least quarterly meetings. (minutes must be attached.)	Meeting Date #1	<u>August 5th</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Yes</u>
	Meeting Date #2	<u>September 9th</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Yes</u>
	Meeting Date #3	<u>October 7th</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Yes</u>
How was the neighborhood notified of the meeting(s)? (check all that apply)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> email <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> newsletter <input type="checkbox"/> other announcement? (please specify)		<u>Thursday enews</u> <u>Paper Newsletter</u> <u>Facebook, Website, Twitter</u>	
Officer elections this quarter? (if so, attach list of new officers)	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
Each Neighborhood is encouraged to produce regular newsletters.	Date of Newsletter	<u>August 25th</u>	Copy Attached?	<u>Yes</u>
		<u>October 23rd</u>	(required)	<u>Yes</u>

**East Lawrence Neighborhood Block Party** - September 28th - 250 people - Notified via newsletter, email, Facebook, website and twitter  
**NewYork School Clean up** - October 26th - 15 people - notified via email, facebook, twitter

Also to be attached: \_\_\_\_\_

Neighborhood activity list for the quarter, including method of notification as well as estimated attendance. (Required)

Best practices in regard to neighborhood events that can be shared with other neighborhood associations. Provide information on outreach, event, and outcome. (recommended)

Any other information your neighborhood association feels will be information that will help to provide a clear view of your neighborhood associations accomplishments. (recommended)



# East Lawrence Neighborhood Association

## CDBG Performance Report Activities

Quarter: 1

Months: Aug-Oct

Year: 2013

Event/Date	Attendees
<b>CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS</b>	
8/6/2013	KT Walsh
8/13/2013	KT Walsh
8/20/2013	JOHN GASCON, KT Walsh
8/27/2013	KT Walsh
9/3/2013	Diana Nunez, KT Walsh
9/10/2013	KT Walsh
9/17/2013	KT Walsh
9/24/2013	JOHN GASCON, KT Walsh
10/1/2013	KT Walsh
10/8/2013	KT Walsh
10/15/2013	Leslie Soden Sara Mungis KT Walsh
10/22/2013	Leslie Soden Sara Mungis KT Walsh
<b>HRC MEETINGS</b>	
8/15/2013	KT Walsh
9/26/2013	Leslie Soden, KT Walsh
10/17/2013	KT Walsh
<b>CULTURAL DISTRICT TASK FORCE MEETINGS</b>	
8/13/2013	Leslie Soden Brenda Nunez Jacki Becker KT Walsh
8/27/2013	Leslie Soden Brenda Nunez
9/10/2013	Leslie Soden Brenda Nunez
10/1/2013	Leslie Soden Brenda Nunez missed
10/8/2013	Leslie Soden Brenda Nunez Cindy Suenram KT Walsh
10/17/2013	Leslie Soden Brenda Nunez
10/23/2013	Leslie Soden Brenda Nunez
10/28/2013	
<b>LAN MEETINGS</b>	
10/10/2013	Brenda Nunez Cindy Suenram
9/5/2013	Leslie Soden Cindy Suenram
8/1/2013	Leslie Soden Cindy Suenram
<b>LAWRENCE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSIONS</b>	
10/9/2013	
9/11/2013	Graa Peterson
8/14/2013	Graa Peterson
<b>OTHER</b>	
KVKL BOARD MEETINGS MAY - AUGUST - OCTOBER - if it helps.	
Aaron P=	New York School Bond Planning Committee - 8/7 8/27 9/24 10/8 & 10/22

Don't forget - ELNA MTGS!

Cultural distrc task force committee =>

Planning commission - September - Leslie Soden, KT, Brenda

Saint Eco Devo Council - 10/30/2013 - Leslie Soden, Cindy, Arch

Cindy Suenram



## **ELNA Minutes**

*Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup> 2013*

*The percolator*

Attendance: Lane Eisenbart, KH, KT Walsh, Aaron Paden, Josh Davis, John Hachmeister, Grace Peterson, Christine Kosirog, Frank Janzen, Mike Myers, Phil Collison, Evie Schliffe, Aaron Chase, Phil Patmon, Howard Callihan, Dennis Constance, Cindy Suenram, Brenda Nunez, Leslie Soden, Jean Ann, Julia Wagner,

### **Minutes:**

No minutes to approve – will approve at next meeting in September.

### **Presidents Report:**

Kansas state historical society – Kansas humanities guest speaker – KHC – Kansas historical council?

They are interested in helping document ELNA history. \$3,000.

SSL / Percolator interested in partnering

Dusty Alley – What to do?

Mike Meyers said a neighbor complained every year for years & it got repaved.

Squeaky wheel approach. Phil suggested talking to the city and asking what the plan is for that alley and if there is a policy in place for dust. (Phil will take this on)

Food Council – Meeting Thursday – 8:30am Community Merc

### **VP:**

New York Elementary Bond planning committee meeting on Wednesday the 7<sup>th</sup>.

Letter / Tree / Onesie to TTH for the new baby and loss of Hayley Berrios in a bike accident. Eric Farnsworth agreed to assist with the tree.

### **Treasure report:**

\$5,684.77 in the bank

Depleted the CDBG moneys for the year

YART Sale grant funds haven't been distributed.

New fiscal year started August 1<sup>st</sup> 2013. Josh and Lane to go sign paperwork for next year and report back how much is allocated for the this fiscal year. (FYE 2014)

### **Coordinator report:**

Put potential historic homes online

Block party date set

Social Media for non-profits

August to do– New newsletter, block party planning, more website updates, meeting dates for school year

Newsletter:

Interview Kyle from Penn house for newsletter – what kind of services are offered, volunteers, what do they take?, historic, rumor of closing Penn house, Calling tree, Yart sale grants – (3) \$300 grants  
Block party  
Cultural Task force letter for news. KT, Grace, Jacki, & Brenda  
Vernacular Arch story - Josh  
Art people story at 10<sup>th</sup>&NY rubberrep.org?

Phil moves to grant up to (3) grants of \$300 each with caveat that KH check the books and make sure ELNA is financially in a good place, Cindy seconds – motion passes

**LAN update:**

Chief ??? of the Lawrence Police Dept. – pitched the need for a new building  
LAN's position on the RS5 (accessory dwelling unit)

- LAN does not support the accessory dwelling unit.

**Planning Commission:**

No news

**Historic Resources Commission:**

1208 Delaware passed and will be added to the list of homes going before the city commission for approval as historic homes.

**City Commission:**

**NY PTO/Site Council:**

New PTO president – 3 kids at NY and (Lane will be VP)  
Watermelon feed August 13<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) Everyone welcome  
Welcome back to school night August 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Site Council – Matt Hall taking over with Eric Jay?

**Cultural District Task Force:**

How do you define a Cultural district?  
Sidewalks paid for by CDBG – Susan Tate, Cindy Maude from Cal. Creek. Supporting this idea (KT states the problem with that is it takes money from other groups requesting CDBG funding)  
Make 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> corridor \* banners \* low level lighting \* new sidewalks  
GO TO WEBSITE FOR DETAILS  
SURVEY – only a few responses – please do that soon.  
In general – negative response to draft that was presented as it focuses almost entirely on 'economic development' and not on the history and culture.

**Block Party:**

Lane will email out things that need doing

**Turnhalle:**

Stuff happening

**11<sup>th</sup> & RI:**

Bruce Barland house

City currently going to start eminent domain procedure.

Buyers have offered more than what Barland family has counter offered before.

An unfortunate situation.

**ELNA Tshirts:**

Christine to head up getting rid of old shirts that don't sell well.

**Tree Documentation project:**

What to do with big old tree – Josh to ask Matt Jones.

**KVKL Concessions:**

Next Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup> at Hobbs 8:30pm-10:30pm

**Announcements:**

KT doing Mural dedication 1pm on Saturday at the Pohler building

## ELNA MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2013

Introductions: 19 people

Jack – talking about new rental ordinance that is being worked on. What is our expectation of privacy in terms of who can live in your home. What are the international building codes that city should know about. What are the 7-8 big things that the city wants accomplished most importantly. What about our 4<sup>th</sup> amendment rights. How are our laws going to follow this? This hits the City Commission tomorrow.

Minutes: June – September we need to get these approved. If you did the minutes you are in charge of bringing the minutes. June – half jacki / half aaron // july / aug – aaron // sept. - Jacki

Tony Krsnick – 8<sup>th</sup> & Penn Update. 55% is saying in good faith that they can get to this number. If you want Tony's cell phone he wants to be accessible. Had he met with the neighbors on the east side of NJ in the warehouse arts district and says all but 1 have said they are aok in the project. Talking about a lot of take out access. Adam Johnson then spoke on behalf of all of those who support this idea. They don't think that they can get to the 55% yet, so when or how do we allow this to bend? What is good for your profit vs. what is good for our neighborhood is what we are looking for. Mon. Sept. 23 – goes to the planning commission.

He then moved onto the NineDel lofts. 23(450)/16(650)/4(3) is the breakdown of apartments – looking for an ap loan. Looking to do modern contemporary building. Home Funds / Kansas Housing Resources. Wanting to name them the NIneDel lofts.

9th & nh development – there are places trucks are not supposed to park. Josh had bldg guys info, if any future concerns. They are repaving the alley.

Aaron - kwik shop 19th & mass. Aaron is writing a letter for Elna. they are looking for variances to make it much larger

Treasurer - kh not here

Coordinator - Kvkl concessions for east side set. standard web stuff / mailed derons print. Block party! no one has applied for grant yet.  
raffle - lane coordinate / phil - music is coming together. Need to set yart sale date  
mower -50x / tiller 8x this summer.  
metal account - donate to Lonnie's.

LAN - Do we want to sign up for banning drones? hits edge of our neighborhood  
non-toxic gas coming outta toilet don't be concerned

HRC/ planning commission - 2 things of Tony's on agenda / Taking all homes as one large group for hrc approval

Pto / site council - nothing important

City commission - report 7-800 blocks of Rhode Island from bob Schumm. If you have ideas please send along

Cultural Plan - We will set a date to meet to go over concerns.

Burroughs Creek trail – Furthering the trail to go thru Hobbs Park to Delaware 10ft. wide trail bicycle track 3 utilities pole by struct/restruct building. If city decides to put trail where we might have to pay \$10k for electrical poles westar will pay for it. Need to make sure there is a % for art for bike path b/c 1% should be along trail.

Halloween in east Lawrence – big push for it this year. Look for it on facebook.

Tree preservation ordinance - Michael A. – Talk about recent City tree that was cut down. Talked to Dave Corliss. tony wanted tree moved today. Siberian elm 52yrs. It was actually 2 trees grown together. Is there something we can do to save trees? Do we have traction?

Frank - Leo Beerman tribute is finished at 8th and mass. We need to take a photo.

Move to dismiss - Cindy seconded jacki

## ELNA Meeting Minutes for 10/7/2013

Attendees at 7:10: Josh, Lane, Eric and Jesse Jay, Aaron, Phil, Cindy, KT, Brenda, Leslie, Boog, John, Mike, Bob Schumm, Sarah Minges, Michael Almon, Brendan, Cricket from MO, Grace.

Josh: Hello and Welcome.

Minutes for July and August were distributed and may be discussed at the end of the meeting. Jump to 8<sup>th</sup> and Penn Development, the Bistro/Nightclub.

Eric and Jesse Jay are at the new house in the 800 block of New Jersey. Struct/Restruct partner. Planning Commission gave approval with an extra year (2) years to comply with 55/45% Food/Alcohol. Q. What happens if the place is sold, does the variance start over? There was no discussion on an earlier time of closing. Leslie read from Planning Commission Minutes (paraphrased for minutes) where Tony K. "called it a bistro, that is softer than calling it a bar".

The outdoor portion is bigger than the inside portion. Planning staff came up with 2 options? – go with 55/45 and an option that would suggest a smaller site plan? Rezoning goes to CC tomorrow. To change zoning to CS (commercial strip with overlay). Bob Schumm (he's not heard all sides and is not taking a stance at this time, and speaks recognizing he does not wish to create a conflict of interest, as he is sitting with the architect on record for the project (Hernley Rep Mike Myers)). The original downtown / outdoor food sales reqs were for 65/35 and 75/25 for outdoor dining. By having 75 food it is outdoor dining not outdoor drinking. A fine line. Changed when a 700 NH restaurant lobbied a change to 55/45. You are either a restaurant with a bar or a bar with a restaurant. Some bars do outdoor drinking well and they would fit in any neighborhood. Others wouldn't. 45% in alcohol sales is a whole lot of alcohol being consumed.

Mike M. (architect of record) – He is going to have to ship in food. There's not room for him to have a hood in kitchen. He may grill outdoors. Tony's got to get people to come and eat there in order to be successful, he is counting on our support.

Potential scenarios – if in 2 years he doesn't get there he'll ask to continue as he has been. Or, another scenario, he is dependent on his customers. He's at 2 years and gets a review – what if the 55% isn't fulfilled? We're not sure. There is a risk of the extra grace period. Will it open up a can of worms, in that other developers will want the same treatment?



Bob reads more from the minutes – Commissioner Culver asks what happens if they don't hit 55% in one year, then staff works with them and if it wasn't met in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year they'd lose the condition. So the extra year may give them 3 years rather than the standard 2.

Would anyone support the Pig as the bar there? Or would we support the Wheel being the bar? It sets a precedent. We hope it is the right bar. It probably will be, we hope. But will the next one also be a good one? We hope. It could get sold to the next bar owner.

But, this could be an incubator to big things, why would we stop that?

We support that he gets a bar with the 55/45 rule with a Midnight Closing. That is the motion that passed. It is a compromise.

One more issue, no meetings with the neighbors. Tony had his landlord call the tenants. That could be intimidating. He has talked to some folks. Not others. Segue to Eric and Josie.

Comments: Tony has not contacted Eric. They are on the fence. It is a great idea, but it has to be done right. Living next to a bar can be tough. They live at 10<sup>th</sup> and Ohio and they get bad bar behavior over there. This place has potential for a large outdoor event. It shouldn't go past 10 p.m. during the week. They could hear the downtown goonies movie at 10<sup>th</sup> and OH, and also at 7<sup>th</sup> and NH. The idea is great but it sets a big precedent. A one year restriction to 55/45.

Midnight Closing. Close earlier during the week. The distance from campus and Downtown may have a slowing impact on them. There is an automotive repair shop across the alley from Eric and Josie. East Lawrence is a \_\_\_\_ neighborhood – <<diverse? Rugged? Compelling?>>. There is lots of alley traffic today, and will increase with the bar

Property Rights go both directions. The area is developing well. It could use a good bar.

Conditional Use could be applied. This is a good situation for C.U. It is a good project but the risk is it is not a desirable bar and it becomes a neighborhood drain. Conditional zoning worked well 5 years ago for the Brook Creek NA. It also was a good solution for Krause Dining. Fulfilling the food for a kitchen of that size will be tough! Coffee counts towards the food side. They'll make a go of it with food trucks, outdoor cooking and shipments.

There was to be a meeting of Cider Gallery tenants but it was cancelled. The tenants are not well informed.

There was a loud party at the Cider Gallery Saturday night. Nuisance laws go into effect at 11 p.m. There was a fight at this party. The Poehler Building poll / petition was not done well. 3 people gave 3 different accounts for what was on the petition – one to support no alcohol, one to support 55/45, one to support a bar. What did the petitions really say?

We believe the plan is to have a place for the party to go to after the Cider Gallery closes down. We want 55/45 and midnight close. Our letter did not state the midnight close succinctly. Bob Schumm recommends we ask for a deferment and a meeting with the developers and the neighbors. Work out our issues, and present solutions to the CC. That is easier for the CC. We zone the ground, but we conditionally use ties to the owner.

### Burroughs Creek Trail

Many folks that are here <Mike A, Mike M, Bob S, and others> have worked hard to make this go. Mike A brought a letter of support for the extension of BCT north of 11<sup>th</sup> to city hall and beyond. Mike M brought a big map and Mike A passed out smaller maps. Mike M. likes the BCT, and would love to see it circle the whole town. His idea came about in discussions with Josh about potential school closings. If NY school were closed, how would the kids walk to Pinkney? Mike thought, “Under the bridges!!” No busy street crossings. A trail could have historical placards, art, podcasts, smartphone scan thingys to get you to the internets! Every new development has trails with signs, etc. Mike asked the city engineer if they could make the new sidewalk on the new Delaware extension 8 feet. He said sure! And now the 9 Del development will also go to 8 foot sidewalks. Other groups are talking trails. McGrew and Bert Nash are looking at a trail on the river behind the old VFW. The Kansas Trails Council also wants a trail that would take the trail from constant park to burcham and to be extended all the way to the Westar plant. KT pointed out the dream has always been a branch that would go across the kaw as a footbridge. That is proposed and drawn to come over close to the 8<sup>th</sup> st. boat ramp in N Law. There is a lot of vision for where this trail could go. It takes \$\$ for a bridge.

Bob Schumm says on the south end of BCT there is a grant to pave it from about 22<sup>nd</sup> st to 29<sup>th</sup> st. and a piece of wetland may be being donated and that leaves the city about one block short of a connector to the new SLT bike trail that is being built. They are also going to be rebuilding the 6<sup>th</sup> and Iowa intersection, and it could take only about \$40,000 to engineer and execute an 8 foot bike path connector through that intersection. He will be asking for 10% (1% - I didn't

catch the number) of some financial allocation to be budgeted for walking/bike paths. If there were a pot of \$\$ we'd be able to get stuff done. We are not pro-active enough. The SLT bike path is well-used.

Question – is there a plan for better / safer biking by city hall. It is tough coming off the bridge.  
Answer. East to west would connect to the new path. Skirts parking garage and down to tracks.

Wed. night is the inter-modal plan at the natatorium. The BCT is not in the plan and it should be. If we go we should stress that. BCT has the potential to connect to a route that could truly circle the city.

And KT suggests that we ask for a budget line for maintenance of brick streets. There's no budget for that today.

Engineering can begin on this trail to be ready when the money comes. They will be putting in a pipeline running under the river. The cost is about \$1 million. Or hang it from a bridge for the same one mil and get a walking bridge, too.

We should always be looking for opportunities to extend and now there is a partial trail being built so let's get public funding to go to fill in those gaps. So that it will extend from Hobbs terminus to Robinson Park and beyond. These are multiple channels to accomplish the same thing. Motion was approved to sign on to Mike A's letter as ELNA.

Henry Furtunado wants to do history signs on BCT. Info given to Mike M.

Crosswalks at Hobbs Park – 11<sup>th</sup> and Delaware. Brendon came out to garner our support for a N/S crosswalk at 11<sup>th</sup> and Delaware. We moved to support and Aaron and Brandon will work together to draft a letter to get a discussion started with the city.

President's report. Who's next? All officer positions may be open at the annual meeting.

Coordinator report: Block Party! Deposited \$1000+ We spent 600 and took in \$1000. Pretty good. Lotta dough from T-shirts. The T shirt vendor (blue collar) may take special orders for custom clothing gear with our logo. Thank you notes will get done. There were some things for the lost and found. We want to have recycling at our functions, and a good raffle item may be a lifetime membership!

The Newsletter will come out in October. Looking for company logos for donating companies to go in newsletter.

Halloween in Lawrence. A NY School Mom is pushing to make Halloween be a fun event in the neighborhood. Turn on your lights and be ready for trick or treating kids! Make a big deal of it.

Grants: there were 2 grants requested. We extended the deadline. We (ELNA) could apply for a grant. We need tables and other miscellaneous tools.

LAN. They've discussed Domestic Drones. CN zoning. Rental Registrations. Brenda will cover Thursday's LAN meeting for Cindy.

HRC. Our group of houses will go in October or November to CC. Lynne Z has to write each one up individually. One house is up for sale.

There's a proposed expansion of the Quik shop at 19<sup>th</sup> and Haskell. They want variances for more pumps? They want too many pumps and the neighborhood doesn't like that. 4 pumps = good.

PTO / Site Council. Fall cleanup is on 10/26 from 8:30 to 11:30. Bagels and coffee early.

There's a new USD groundskeeper. He's into it and there'll be lots of mulch and other materials available. Site Council has been talking bond issues. Meeting tomorrow.

Cultural District Task force. . A small group of ELNA's met and will have final submission. The treanor vision – 3 people showed up to do the vision for the facelift of the chosen corridor. They are proposing a charette. We think this is putting the cart before the horse. Grace and Mandy are tasked with coming up with 2 models to be considered. The treanor vision should not be pursued at least until the models are developed. Schedule of events:

Tomorrow there is a lunch meeting at city hall.

Breakfast meeting with Treanor on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Charette is Saturday the 19<sup>th</sup>. They want us there from 8 to 9 and from 4 to 5.

We are leaning towards nixing the treanor vision and we moved that (paraphrased) we empower our reps to postpone the treanor vision work for the reasons we cited.

KT: Cultural district Task force. Are all the street lights really there? A task was assigned to go through and verify all the streetlights on the city map are still truly where they say they are.

Motion to adjourn. So moved. And an addendum. KT did lots for the block party, she brings a whole lot to the table. KT ROCKS!! Hoo Ray!

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Phil C.

ELNA BOARD 2013 2014

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October 2013



## ELNA

### General Meeting

Monday, Nov. 4th, 7-9pm  
New York School Library

#### Agenda:

- ⇒ Elections
- ⇒ Yart Sale Grants

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## Block Party Thanks

HUGE! Thanks to all who donated items to raffle, their time and skills, and for all the wonderful friends and food!

#### Donors

Ad Astra Acupuncture  
Aimee's Coffee House  
Aly Young and the KS Zen Center  
Au Marche European Market  
Bob Rose  
The Bourgeois Pig  
Checkers Grocery  
Cottin's Hardware  
Dana Vann  
Dempsey's Pub  
Great Harvest Bread Company  
KT Walsh  
Lawrence Public Library  
Leslie Kay  
Liberty Hall  
New York Elementary PTO  
Plymouth Church  
The ReStore  
Robert Baker  
The Sandbar  
Tenants to Homeowners  
Up to Eleven Productions & the Granada

#### Info Tables

Community Village Lawrence  
Heartland Community Health  
KVKL  
New York School Renovation group

#### Music

Ricky Dean Sinatra  
King DeVilles

#### Volunteers

Staci Ahlvers	Christine Kosirog
Ben Ahlvers	Chris Lempa
Jacki Becker	Kurt Limesand
Lisa Marie Benke	Josh Meyer
Russell Benke	Mike Myers
Justin Bergin	Arch Naramore
Joe Bickford	Brenda Nunez
Daina Bitters	Aaron Paden
Phil Collison	Mick Palmer
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Josh Davis	Grace Peterson
Kristina Eronat	Matt Pryor
Eric Farnsworth	Mike Rheim
Emily Hampton	Cindy Suenram
Matt Hislope	Tim VonHolten
Beth Holley	KT Walsh
Jay Holley	Cake Bakers!

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE POTLUCK CONTEST WINNERS!

Beth Holley for her vegetarian tomato pie dish, Aaron Paden for best dessert with his pumpkin pie, and to the magical nameless neighbor who has great skill with garbanzo beans and tomatoes. Thanks for bringing your A-game!

## ELNA Board and Officers Elections

At this our yearly annual meeting, November 4<sup>th</sup>, we will again select our Neighborhood Association Board of Directors.

Board members serve a one year term and commit to attending monthly meetings held on the first Monday of each month, as well as to contributing their time to chosen projects. Officers, including President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, also serve a one year term in addition to their duties as Board members. All officer positions except Treasurer are open for appointment at this time.

The President serves as leader to call meetings to order, call any special meetings outside of the monthly meeting, and as general Executive of the Board.

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## Greetings Neighbors!

There is a lot going on in the neighborhood and with all of the excitement I fear we have not given enough attention to the wonderful work led by Dennis Domer & accomplished with significant help from others. That group has done a remarkable job of documenting many of the fantastic old

homes in our neighborhood, documenting them in a meaningful way that will help to tell East Lawrence's story for... well, forever.

As one result of this endeavor, you may have heard of the efforts to list a number of East Lawrence homes on the local historic registry. Perhaps you have even received notification that a close neighbor of yours has a home up for this honor. Perhaps you have questions or concerns regarding the whole thing. This is too small of a space to address all the questions one might have but I can tell you that the ELNA board is 100% behind these efforts. Not to say we don't have our own individual concerns, but as a group we realize the benefits greatly outnumber the negatives. If you have questions about the process, please feel free to ask any of us!

What I would like to do, is touch on the term "vernacular architecture", a key definition in describing what makes our neighborhood homes so special and what has driven much of the interest in Dr. Domer's team's work. I've done some searching, looking for a concrete definition of the term and cannot find a universal one... so instead I offer what comes to my own mind when I think about what vernacular architecture means.

Vernacular architecture is, in essence, architecture of necessity. Vernacular homes are sometimes built, at least in part, by the home owner themselves. They are built from materials at hand... materials that the area's natural resources present to the builder – there was no Home Depot in the late 1800's (though there may have been a Cottin's!). There was no architect involved; often the craftsman was also the designer, following patterns of the day as a guide in the design. You can see these patterns in these homes, yet each is always different from the next.

Vernacular architecture has been defined as "ordinary", but that definition no longer applies... in today's world there is nothing remotely "ordinary" about it.

For instance, observe the houses on your block. Living in East Lawrence, chances are good that your block or one near has at least one late 1800's era brick home. Those bricks were likely fired very near the site that the home was built! The formed clay was stacked and the fire was built inside the stack. The bricks had varying degrees of hardness and durability depending on where they were in the pile and it was up to the mason to sort through and select the hardest bricks for the exterior and the softer for the inner wythes of the walls. You could break those soft bricks with your bare

hands so the masons had to know what they were doing! Walk up to one of those houses and look for a random brick that is significantly worn away... if you find one you'll know the mason missed one.

Move on up to the roof structure of that same house and you'll find rough lumber cut from the trees of the area. Varying species, varying sizes, the lumber is rough, old-growth, and undeniably beautiful. I've seen walnut roof plank boards up to 20"+ wide. Just try and head to the lumber yard and pick one of those up; again, nothing ordinary about it.

Working class homes were vernacular in style and East Lawrence has a marvelous collection of them. We've lost some over time, others have been reborn. The ELNA board very much wishes to thank Dr. Domer and his team for their efforts in documenting the homes we still have.

- Josh Davis, President

## East Lawrence History Project Update

No new addresses have been added to the East Lawrence History Project. (If you recall, this is the effort to get East Lawrence vernacular housing added to the Local Historical Registry.) BUT! The established addresses are slated to appear before the City Commission for final designation, all together, sometime in November or December. Please watch our enews, Facebook, and website for updates. And please plan to show up and show your support for the project by attending.

FYI, the City Commission typically meets at 6:35 each Tuesday. Some special meetings may start sooner, and in months with five Tuesdays, the meeting will be cancelled on the fifth Tuesday. AND, did you know? You can live stream City Commission meetings from the City Services website <http://lawrenceks.org/stream>.

## Recycle Your Metal for ELNA

At Lonnie's Recycling at 501 Maple St., in North Lawrence, you can drop off your metals and ask that the proceeds be donated to the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association. Your contribution will help various ELNA neighborhood projects.

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Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm  
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Directions: Over the river bridge and under the underpass, take the first right on Lincoln St. Go 3 blocks east; turn right on 5th St. Go 1-½ blocks. Lonnie's is on your left.



## ELNA's Got New Shirts!

Board member Christine Kosirog has been bravely steering the ELNA merch ship.

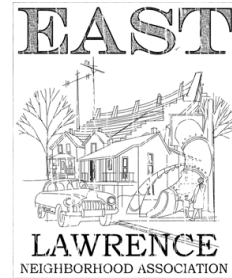
She just ordered some new shirts. Same logo, different styles. \$15 each.

Right now the stock includes:

Blue Unisex Tanks, Black Unisex T-shirt, Grey Unisex T-shirt, Heather Green Ladies, T-shirt, and Heather Brown Ladies T-shirts, in medium and large.

Christine also got us some sweet ELNA hoodies, but they all sold out! Email her at [ckosirog@yahoo.com](mailto:ckosirog@yahoo.com) and let her know you *need* one, and as soon as she has enough orders, she'll get some more!

And don't forget the stickers at \$2.00 each! They're small enough to fit on a bike, in case you were wondering.



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## ELNA Adopts-a-Family for the Holidays

Want to help ELNA adopt a family for the holiday season?

Each year, the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association adopts a needy family (or two) through the Ballard Center. As a group, we purchase food and gifts for the selected family. In the coming weeks, we will receive a wish list of items from the family. As soon as we acquire this list, we will be looking for neighbors to purchase and donate gifts. If you would like to volunteer to donate items, contact Christine Kosirog, 218-6786 or [ckosirog@yahoo.com](mailto:ckosirog@yahoo.com), or Lane at [eastlawrence@yahoo.com](mailto:eastlawrence@yahoo.com).

## Visit ELNA's Website

And speaking of the ELNA website, have you visited recently? We've been making updates. On the website, you can find everything from bylaws to Board Member profiles to the latest documents relating to the Cultural Arts District. Keep an eye out too for our new ELNA Merch Table store, compliments of Blue Collar Press.

## ***ELECTIONS...continued from page 1***

The Vice President serves as stand-in for the President, in case of his or her absence or inability to attend a meeting or event. The Secretary's duties include the composition of minutes and voting records at each meeting, assisting the President and Vice President to compose an agenda for each meeting, and to compose other reports due to the City of Lawrence quarterly. Officers are elected by popular vote of the Board. In order to become an ELNA Board member, you must have been a general member of ELNA for at least 90 days.

With questions, you may contact the ELNA Coordinator at [eastlawrence@yahoo.com](mailto:eastlawrence@yahoo.com). You may also peruse our bylaws, with details on the board and it's objectives, at our website [eastlawrence.com](http://eastlawrence.com) under the "Resources" tab.



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# Block Party September 2013







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# The Lawrence Fruit Tree Project Interview – Lane Eisenbart

Many of you have heard about the Lawrence Community Orchard in our Thursday Enews, and in past issues of this paper newsletter. The Orchard consists of perennial fruit bearing trees, and is located on Garfield St. where it ends at Burroughs Creek, one block south of 13th St, and east of Delaware St. The land itself is allotted to the Orchard as part of the City of Lawrence's Common Ground Program. The Lawrence Community Orchard, however, is but one of the many projects of a larger group, The Lawrence Fruit Tree Project. Many of LFTP's (the preferred acronym for the Lawrence Fruit Tree Project) projects and project leaders live right here in East Lawrence.

Want to know more? Many thanks to Emily Hampton and Eric Farnsworth for the answers to our questions.

*Do you have a website?* Yes! Visit <http://lawrencefruittreeproject.wordpress.com/> to learn all about what LFTP is up to, including ways to donate, upcoming events, and links to other fruit and plant information resources. You can follow LFTP on Facebook, too, at <https://www.facebook.com/LawrenceFruitTreeProject>.

*What is your mission/ objective?* The Lawrence Fruit Tree Project provides a community-based solution to a critical and growing need for access to healthy food. We work to educate, assist, and inspire the public to grow, steward, and utilize perennial food plants. Our aim is to build community, increase local food security, and create direct, lasting bonds between people and their urban environment.

*Who are your primary group members?* Skyler Adamson, Eric Farnsworth, Byron Wiley and Jason Hering

*How did your group form?* Five years ago, Skyler had the idea of starting a group whose purpose would be to promote the growth of fruit trees and perennial food plants throughout the city. He was encouraged by KU Biology and Environmental Studies professor Kelly Kindscher to start the group and soon found fellow perennial food plant enthusiasts, Eric and Byron to join him. Jason later became a committed member of the group as well.

*Does the Fruit Tree Project have sites other than on the Burroughs Creek Trail?* At New York School at 9th & New Jersey St, at ECM on KU Campus, and a few other small plantings throughout the community.

*Where do you see your group going? What's your future vision?* It would be nice if more & more people came to see the growing fruit trees in public, and the sharing of locally grown produce as a normal and essential community activity. My personal hope is that our efforts can demonstrate that this is possible, and that people will see what a good time we are having growing and eating fruit, and make the effort to help plant and care for fruit trees. LFTP is also in the process of trying to develop more leadership. We are looking into gaining non-profit status so that one member could be paid as the outreach coordinator, but

would also like to find more people in the community who would be interested in taking more of a leadership role.

*Why is this project important to you?* Food is essential to everyone, and with a relatively small amount of work, it is possible to make delicious fruit available to people, as an act of community generosity. This is incredibly empowering, and it does not just benefit the person who eats the fruit, but it benefits everyone who lives in a community that has chosen to be that generous.

*How would you like the people of East Lawrence to help with your endeavors?* The simplest and best way for people to get involved with the Lawrence Fruit Tree Project is to come to one of our work days, see what we are doing, and what part of that fits their skills and interests. Look in the ELNA enews and on the LFTP website for upcoming workdays.

## News from the Community Village Lawrence

Thanks to the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association for inviting our organization to take part in last month's Block Party! The camaraderie we felt and the kindness shared among neighbors compares perfectly to the Village model and what we hope to offer.

Community Village Lawrence (formerly Eastside Village) has recently changed its name. This reflects the expansion of our service area from neighborhoods east of Massachusetts Street and North Lawrence to the entire city of Lawrence. Our mission to enhance the quality of life for the entire community, by helping neighbors remain in their homes as they age, continues on. We are undertaking many exciting activities and have developed attainable goals to meet prior to our official launch, tentatively scheduled for June 2014. Community Village is currently preparing to offer a complimentary reassurance call service to enhance security and well-being for older adults in the community. We will be recruiting volunteers and training over the next few months to make the service available by March 2014. At this time, we intend to host informational gatherings at different locations throughout the city, in order to provide education, share our mission with the public and grow our committee and board membership. To learn more about Community Village and our next steps in creating a program to connect older adults to activities and resources needed to stay in their homes for as long as they wish, please visit: <http://www.communityvillagelawrence.org/> or call Program Coordinators at (785) 505-0188 or (785) 505-0187.

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### ELNA is on Facebook!

Like our fan page at <http://www.facebook.com/eastlawrence> and look for updates regarding neighborhood events.

# Represent the East Side on an Advisory Committee

You can positively impact your community by volunteering to serve on a city advisory board. These boards/ task forces investigate, deliberate, and directly report to the City of Lawrence on specific issues in the Lawrence community.

You can find more information on the various boards, as well as how to apply to fill a vacancy on the City website <http://www.lawrenceks.org/>.

Some current vacancies include:

## **Board of Zoning Appeals/Sign Code Board of Appeals:**

One vacancy for a position that expired 09/30/13.

## **Community Development Advisory Committee:**

Two vacancies for positions that expired 09/30/13 and one vacancy for a position that expires 09/30/15. Two positions are designated for low/mod income areas and one position is an at-large position.

## **Electrical Code Board of Appeals:**

One vacancy for a position that expired 03/31/12. Eligibility requirements exist for this board.

## **Lawrence Alliance:**

Two vacancies for positions that expired 11/30/12.

## **Sales Tax Audit Committee:**

One vacancy for a position that expired 04/30/14.

## **Building Code Board of Appeals:**

Four positions expire 11/30/13. One position will become vacant and three positions will be eligible for reappointment to additional terms.

## **Contractor Licensing Board:**

Three positions expire 12/31/13. Two positions will become vacant and one position is eligible for reappointment to an additional term. Eligibility requirements exist for this board.

## **Douglas County Senior Services Board:**

Two positions expire 12/31/13 and are eligible for reappointment to additional terms.

## **Homeless Issues Advisory Committee:**

Three positions expire 12/31/13. One position will become vacant and two positions will be eligible for reappointment to additional terms.

## **Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging:**

One position on the Advisory Council expires 09/30/13 and is eligible for reappointment to an additional term.

## **Lawrence Alliance:**

Six positions expire 11/30/13 and all are eligible for reappointment to additional terms.

## **Lawrence Douglas County Advocacy Council on Aging:**

Five positions expire 12/31/13 and all are eligible for reappointment to additional terms.

## **Lawrence Douglas County Bicycle Advisory Committee:**

Three positions expire 12/31/13 and all are eligible for reappointment to additional terms.

## **Public Transit Advisory Committee:**

Three positions expire 12/31/13 and are all eligible for reappointment to additional terms.

## **Sister Cities Advisory Board:**

Five positions expire 12/31/13 and all are eligible for reappointment to additional terms.

## **Sustainability Advisory Board:**

Four positions expire 12/31/13. One position will become vacant and three positions will be eligible for reappointment to additional terms.

## November and December 2013

### November

- Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> – USD 497 PreK-5 No School
- Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Train Depot Clean Up – 3-4:30pm,  
BNSF Depot, 7<sup>th</sup> and NY St.
- Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> – ELNA Meeting – Elections! –  
New York School Library 7-9pm
- Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> – USD 497 PreK-5 No School
- Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> – New York PTO Meeting –  
New York School Library 5:30-6:30pm
- Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> USD 497 Fall Recess

### December

- Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> – Train Depot Clean Up – 3-4:30pm,  
BNSF Depot, 7<sup>th</sup> and NY St.
- Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> – ELNA Meeting – Agenda TBD –  
New York School Library 7-9pm
- Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> – New York PTO Meeting –  
New York School Library 5:30-6:30pm
- Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> – USD 497 Winter Recess

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- ☐ We're working on creating a block-by-block calling/ check-in network of neighbors to contact in the event of an emergency. It's a work in progress. Check here if you'd like to be part of the East Lawrence Safety Network Calling Tree.
- ☐ Check here if you'd like to be added to our ELNA Yahoo group. An e-vite will be sent to you.
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## ELNA Needs Your Help! Please Volunteer!

Mark what ELNA events/skills you would like to volunteer for:

- \_\_\_ Work Days
- \_\_\_ YART (Yard/Art) Sale
- \_\_\_ Block Party
- \_\_\_ Adopt-A-Family
- \_\_\_ Art
- \_\_\_ Music
- \_\_\_ Photography
- \_\_\_ Gardening
- \_\_\_ Grilling
- \_\_\_ Fund Raising
- \_\_\_ Historic Preservation
- \_\_\_ Serving on the ELNA Board
- \_\_\_ Website/Technical Management
- \_\_\_ Baking/Cooking
- \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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## ELNA

### General Meeting

Monday, Sept. 9th, 7-9pm  
New York School Library

#### Agenda:

- ⇒ Block Party Planning
- ⇒ Yart Sale Grants
- ⇒ Cultural Arts District

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## Mark Your Calendars!

### The Annual Block Party Returns

On Saturday, September 28th, from 5--9pm, at Hobbs Park, ELNA will throw its annual block party. Come and join the fun! We will have all our favorite things—food, entertainment, games and lots of great neighborhood mingling!

The block party can't happen without volunteers. Please read the list of events, and see what kind of help we need. Contact eastlawrence@yahoo.com to volunteer.

**Food!** ELNA will supply the drinks and grilled fare. *We ask that all neighbors bring a side dish or dessert to share. Volunteer to take a turn at the grill. Volunteer to be on trash duty.*

**Best Dish!** Back by popular demand, our 3rd Annual Best Dish competition. We want you to bring out your best for the block party! There will be a contest for the best side dishes, dessert, and vegetarian fare. *Volunteer to be a judge!*

**Cake Walk! Cake Walk! Cake Walk!** The cake walk, a neighborhood favorite, always popular with the kids, will be back! *We need you to donate a cake! If you plan to play cake walk, bring a cake!*

**Prizes!** We always have great door prizes, and we need donations to make this happen. *Donate your art! Go out into the community and ask for donations!* Contact eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you have an item for the prizes.

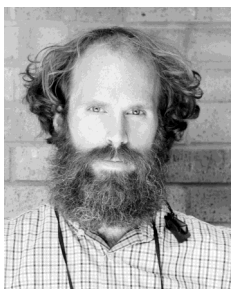
**Music!** East Lawrence always brings out its best musicians on this night. If you would like to play at the party, contact Aaron Paden, aaronpaden@gmail.com, or Phil Collison, phil@collison.com to sign up. *Come, listen and enjoy!*

**Bike Repair!** Get your bike fixed by our friendly neighborhood bike mechanics! It's the perfect time to start your bicycle commute!

**ELNA T-shirts!** ELNA will debut new tshirt stock at the Block Party. New sizes and colors! Maybe even some stickers! Bring cash or checks and get yours!

**Set-Up & Take--Down!** *Be an ELNA hero, volunteer to set up or take down!*

**Trash Duty!** Not glamorous but NEEDED! *Volunteer to be on trash duty!*



## Hello Neighbors!

I'm writing this 'neighborhood update' as I eat my home-made strawberry ice-cream. This is important because I love ice cream almost as much as I love East Lawrence. I like to eat that yummy ice-cream while I contemplate what makes East Lawrence such a fine place to re-

side - like the block party, New York Elementary, and our cultural history.

**Block Party:** On September the 28<sup>th</sup> we have our annual block party with live music, potluck, free hotdogs & hamburgers, free bike repair, keg of freestate beer, cake walk, fires to sit around, desert and side dish competitions all in our very own Hobbs park. We'll be looking for help setting up and cleaning up so please email our coordinator if you are interested. And for your sake - I hope you get a scoop of my home-made ice-cream.

**Bond Planning Committee for New York Elementary:** New York Elementary School will be expanding as part of the school bond that was past in the recent election. The bond planning committee members for New York are: Nancy DeGarmo, Nancy Ornburn, Carol Beth Whalen, Steph Manley, Cari Davis, Chris Lempa, Eric Jay, David Lewis, Randy Tate, and myself. The committee met for the first time on August 7<sup>th</sup> and brainstormed the defining characteristics of New York Elementary. We attempted to define the spirit and heart of the school and its place in the community. Many of us liked the human scale of the building and how it fits so nicely in the neighborhood. The long main hall where you can see everyone and the cupola and columns defining the main door of the school. We'll be meeting over the next several months and we will post as much information as we can. In the meantime think about what is your favorite part of the school - ask your kids what they like and what they would improve. Let us know what you come up with and we'll see if we can keep New York Elementary a great school and community resource. Mmmm ice-cream! I only have enough for one more update...

**Cultural District Task Force:** East Lawrence is a lot like my ice cream. No I'm not going to eat East Lawrence - and I don't think we are creamy and sweet - but we are made up of vernacular architecture. Vernacular - like my ice-cream is home-made. Historically East Lawrence is a working class neighborhood - to put it plainly - East Lawrence is affordable. I got my milk on sale and I happened to have a bunch of strawberries -and I needed to write this update - which I can only do with ice cream. It might as well be that I have a family and a modest house and I built an addition for my kids with materials that were plentiful. This vernacular architecture is a resource that we shouldn't overlook. It is affordable housing in a beautiful way. As we address what this 'cultural district' is made up of - It should first and foremost represent this history and include methods to keep us 'home-made.' We hope that you will help us in this task.

We've put up one version of a draft on our resources page and will continue to add more as we make changes that reflect our neighborhood. There is also a link to a survey. Please take the time to add your thoughts to the survey and inform yourself. <http://www.eastlawrence.com/resources/documents/>

Hope to see you and your home-made dish at the Block Party! Aaron

## September & October Calendar

### September

- 1<sup>st</sup> - Train Depot Clean-up, 3-4:30pm, BNSF Depot, 7<sup>th</sup> and NY Streets
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Labor Day - No School USD 497, all grades
- 9<sup>th</sup> - ELNA Meeting, 7-9pm, New York School Library
- 17<sup>th</sup> - New York Elementary PTO meeting - 5:30-6:30pm, New York School Library
- 28<sup>th</sup> - ELNA BLOCK PARTY! - 5-9pm, Hobbs Park

### October

- 5<sup>th</sup> - City Compost Sale and Woodchip - 8am-3pm, 1420 E. 11<sup>th</sup>
- 6<sup>th</sup> - Train Depot Clean-up, 3-4:30pm, BNSF Depot, 7<sup>th</sup> and NY Streets
- 7<sup>th</sup> - ELNA Meeting, 7-9pm, New York School Library
- 10<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> - City Compost and Woodchip Sale - 8am-3pm, 1420 E. 11<sup>th</sup>
- 11<sup>th</sup> - No School USD 497, Middle and High School
- 15<sup>th</sup> - New York Elementary PTO meeting - 5:30-6:30pm, New York School Library
- 17<sup>th</sup> - No School USD 497, Middle School only
- 19<sup>th</sup> - No School USD 497, Middle and High School

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## ***Do You Know About the Penn House?*** – Lane Eisenbart

Smallish, lightly colored, set back from the street, and surrounded by a chain-link fence, the house at 1035 Pennsylvania Street seems innocuous at first sight. You might even miss it, if you aren't looking. But, did you know, that the building at 1035 Pennsylvania, known only as "The Penn House", has been in operation for over 43 years and is actually a thriving hub of community services for people on the east side and Lawrence at large?

No? You didn't know? Neither did I, so I asked Kyle Roggenkamp, Penn House Director, a few questions.

### **What is the Penn House?**

Funded by grants from United Way, Community Development Block Grants, funds from several small philanthropic institutions, and donations from community members, Penn House is an outlet for the Ballard Center Human Services Programs. (The Ballard Center is a larger non-profit community organization, with its headquarters on Elm Street in North Lawrence.) The Penn House is a strictly not-for-profit public service organization working toward the goals of "stabilizing crisis and mobilizing resources that promote change toward self-sufficiency for those facing poverty" in Douglas County.

### **Who does the Penn House serve?**

It serves approximately 7,000 low-income Douglas County residents each year. The majority of those residents live within walking distance of the Penn House, says Kyle. Services are available to all Douglas County residents who meet 185% federal poverty level guidelines. Anyone enduring short-term financial insecurity is encouraged to seek assistance. Some proofs of residence and income eligibility are required.

### **What kind of services are offered at Penn House?**

Services offered at the Penn House location include; rent and utility assistance, a free open-access clothing pantry, a

food pantry, a selection of free toys and household goods, and seasonal school supplies and holiday gifts and meals programs. Greater Ballard Center programs such as the senior citizen food commodities, diaper pantry, the "Suitable for Work" professional attire closet, tax return preparation assistance, and referrals to other agencies and services can also be applied for at the Penn House.

### **How can you receive services?**

Kyle says you should just come in fill out some papers.

### **How can you help the Penn House?**

Volunteer! The Penn House has only one paid employee, and that's Kyle. All other work is done by volunteers. As a volunteer, you might participate in a community outreach effort such as distributing flyers, you might process donations, hand out food at the pantry, or help with phones, computers or paperwork. Walk-in volunteers are welcome as well as preplanned helpers.

Donate! The Penn House accepts all donations during open hours (Monday through Friday 8-4.) No donation of any kind is ever turned away. Every item is either distributed in house, or passed along to another community outlet. "Every item," emphasizes Kyle. As example of the Penn House's commitment to utilizing every donation; even stained, ripped, or otherwise unwearable clothing is given to a Kansas City company to be shredded and turned into eco-friendly insulation.

### **Is there any one thing that East Lawrence can do for the Penn House?**

"Talk about it," says Kyle. He'd like everyone to make sure that people know the Penn House is there, that people can go there for help when they need it, and to donate if they ever have a little extra.

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## ***Meet the Neighbors***

Hello East Lawrence!

We're your new neighbors at 1000 New York, which for the next year we're calling The Pilot Balloon Church-House. We are Rubber Repertory—an experimental theatre company founded in 2002 in Austin, TX after we earned our Theatre degrees from KU. You may have heard about our artists' colony project, and we wanted to say a few words about what we're up to.

While the two of us will be living here the entire year, we've invited two additional artists at a time to stay with us for periods between one and three weeks. So over the course of the year, 73 different artists (from ten states and four countries!) will be living and working in the church. We're not imagining the space as a performance venue, but as a retreat in which artists of many disciplines can escape distraction and concentrate on their work. Having been in the church at a house party back in the late 90's, we acted

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Thursdays (through October)  
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm  
Located outside Cottin's Hardware & Rental

## New Members June & July 2013

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Chris & Kim Cullison  
Struct / Restruct, LLC  
Jennifer Brown  
Phillip Kimball  
Eric, Josie, Harper, & Wren Jay  
Depot Redux  
Penn House  
Colleen & Paul Stock  
Austin & Ruth Turney  
Cindy Trask & Gottfred Beardshear  
Debbi & David Johanning  
313 Studios

## East Lawrence History Project Update

The East Lawrence History Project, ongoing since 2007 and detailed in the July August paper newsletter, is finally coming to fruition! Twelve properties in East Lawrence have been designated Landmarks on the Lawrence Register of Historic Places by the Lawrence Historic Resources Commission.

645 Connecticut	1029 Delaware
739 Connecticut	1208 Delaware
742 Connecticut	821 New York
946 Connecticut	936 Pennsylvania
1004 Connecticut	946 Pennsylvania
934 Delaware	1002 Pennsylvania
945 Delaware	

Congratulations and thanks for all the hard work! Next stop, the final designation by the Lawrence City Commission. We do not yet know what date the properties will appear before the Commission, but when the date is clear, we'll let everyone know. Please come and show your support. Watch the enews and Facebook for upcoming details.



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## What's happening at the Lawrence Creates Makerspace?

The Lawrence Creates Makerspace is up and operating.

Our mission is to empower community residents to learn new skills, develop products and businesses, create art, and build their future. We create opportunities for collaboration, learning, mentoring, and innovation by providing shared workshops, tools, services, and training for artists, designers, inventors, engineers, architects, makers, hobbyists, and other creative people.

Members have 24x7 access to internet service, computers, printers, scanners, and a digital video projector; extensive woodshop; drafting, light, and worktables; fridge, microwave, and lounge space; studio photography lights; power, hand, and artists tools; and more.

Under construction – An art gallery, design studio with the Adobe Creative Suite and other design tools, and a CNC (computer controlled) mill.

Coming next – welders, lathes and other metal and machine shop equipment, 3D printer, and 3D scanner. We will build a complete prototyping facility, so members can turn their ideas into reality!

Because our purpose is to help our members and the public improve their lives, members deliver training to the public at a reasonable cost, and keep most of the proceeds. 3D design and screen printing classes are underway; rock cutting, wood shop, art welding, and other classes are coming.

Perhaps more important than tools and training, we provide a place for creative people to meet, exchange knowledge and ideas, and collaborate. Our members include engineers, artists, designers, computer programmers, educators, inventors, college students, and people in many other lines of work. The Lawrence Creates Makerspace is an exciting and fun place to be!

Can you help us develop the Lawrence Creates Makerspace as a community resource? Would you like to contribute, enjoy and benefit by being a part of the Lawrence Creates team? If so, please visit [lawrencecreates.com](http://lawrencecreates.com) and sign up! Membership is just \$20 per month, plus a \$20 initiation fee.

Eric Kirkendall 785-260-0083 [Kirkendall1@gmail.com](mailto:Kirkendall1@gmail.com)

## Visit ELNA's Website

And speaking of the ELNA website, have you visited recently? We've been making updates. On the website, you can find everything from bylaws to Board Member profiles to the latest documents relating to the Cultural Arts District. Keep an eye out too for our new ELNA Merch Table store, compliments of Blue Collar Press.

Visit us on the web at [www.eastlawrence.com](http://www.eastlawrence.com)

## City of Lawrence Compost and Woodchip Sale

Self-Load Only - Compost and Woodchip Sale  
Saturday, October 5, 8am – 3pm

Will Load – Compost and Woodchip Sale  
Thursday – Saturday, October 10-12, 8am – 3pm

On Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, self-loading pick-up truck or trailer loads will be \$10 per load and small quantities will be free.

On Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> - Saturday October 12<sup>th</sup>, the city will load trucks and trailers. Cost is still \$10 per bucket load, equivalent to two cubic yards.

Please bring a shovel, and a tarp to secure woodchips in trucks and trailers to prevent littering the roadway. Both events CASH only. Events are rain or shine. Thursday through Saturday, October 10, 11, 12 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or until the supply is depleted.

Compost and woodchips are not intended for commercial applications but rather for the citizens of Lawrence. Dump truck quantities are not allowed. The city cannot load trucks with ladder racks.

The event will be held at the city's Wood Recovery and Composting Facility located at 1420 E. 11th Street which is east of 11th and Haskell Avenue, over the railroad tracks.

For more information, visit [www.lawrenceks.org/swm](http://www.lawrenceks.org/swm).

## Apply for an ELNA Grant

Got a neighborhood cause that needs a little funding? Just a little? ELNA is currently accepting grant proposals.

ELNA will award up to 3 worthy recipients up to \$300 each. In order to receive a grant, you must submit a request, in writing, by **September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013**. The ELNA board will then review your request and contact award winners by **October 31<sup>st</sup> 2013**. In your proposal, note the exact amount you request, the nature of your project and how the funds will be spent, and how your project will positively impact the quality of life in East Lawrence. Please include your contact information. Proposals may be emailed to [eastlawrence@yahoo.com](mailto:eastlawrence@yahoo.com), or to ELNA at P.O. Box 442393, Lawrence KS 66044.

Past recipients include the Social Service League, programs at Central Middle School, the New York Elementary PTO, classrooms at New York Elementary, and various community gardens.

With questions, email [eastlawrence@yahoo.com](mailto:eastlawrence@yahoo.com).

## Thanks from Eastside Village

Eastside Village would like to take this opportunity to thank the neighborhood associations for their interest, support and partnership as we continue moving toward implementation. Our first public fundraiser 'Early Evening with Eastside Village' held on July 18 at the Union Pacific Depot in N. Lawrence was a great success. We were gifted with generous contributions and close to \$2,000 in in-kind donations were secured. The enthusiasm for the Village is alive and growing! It was an honor to see so many supporters and neighbors in attendance. The evening was lovely as guests enjoyed musical entertainment by local band, Fresh Picked, and a poetry reading from newly appointed Kansas Poet Laureate, Wyatt Townley. Food was generously provided by 23rd Street Brewery, HyVee, and Lawrence Memorial Hospital. Wine was sponsored by On the Rocks Liquor and the beer by Playerz Sports Bar. Thank you, neighbors!

## ELNA Tshirt Fire Sale!

We want new shirts! But Mom says we have to finish what we start, and to not be wasteful, and starving, shirtless children in third-world countries and all that, so we've got to sell the ones we've got first. Fire Sale!

From NOW until the block party, September 28<sup>th</sup>, get yourself a new ELNA tshirt for just \$5.00! Yes, really! Buy one, buy two, or stock up for Christmas! (Even Santa wants an ELNA tshirt for Christmas.)

Available colors and sizes include:

Unisex

Burgundy – 1 small, 1 xxl

Sage – 2 small, 2 medium, 3 large

Black – 9 small, 8 medium, 6 large

Women's

Tanks – 3 small, 2 medium

Pink – 4 small, 3 medium, 1 large

Children's

Onesies – 3 3-6 month, 2 6-12 month, 4 12-18 month,  
3 18-24 month

Kelly green – 4 size 10, 3 size 12

Lime green – 8 size 6/8, 8 size 10/12, 7 size 14/16

Contact ELNA Board member Christine Kosirog at [ckosirog@yahoo.com](mailto:ckosirog@yahoo.com) and get your tshirt delivered to your door!

We'll debut new colors and sizes at the Block Party.

Watch the website too for our new ELNA Merch Store button and order your custom ELNA wearables from Blue Collar Press.

## ELNA is on Facebook!

Like our fan page at <http://www.facebook.com/eastlawrence> and look for updates regarding neighborhood events.

## *We have a Twitter too!*

Get your neighborhood news short and sweet. Follow us, ELNAks, on Twitter.

## Neighbors continued

quickly when we heard that the property was available to rent. We're thrilled to have the opportunity to return to where we first started making shows together and introduce some of our favorite artists to the wonders of Lawrence.

If you'd like to learn more, we'll be posting updates about the project on our Tumblr page throughout the year: [pilotballoon.tumblr.com](http://pilotballoon.tumblr.com).

Also, please feel free to email us at [rubber-rep@gmail.com](mailto:rubber-rep@gmail.com).

Looking forward to meeting you,

Josh Meyer and Matt Hislope, 1000 New York St.

*Want to spend an hour or two every two weeks doing arts and crafts?*

*The Recovery and Hope Network Inc. (RAIN), at 1009 New Hampshire, Suite C is looking for a volunteer to lead a relaxed art session during a week-day.*

*RAIN is a support center for adults who have mental illness and are working to celebrate life in all it's fullness.*

*If interested, call Michelle Hayner, Outreach Coordinator, at 785-856-1222 or [recoveryandhope.org](http://recoveryandhope.org)*

## Request a City Service

Request a city service by selecting a topic below.

To better serve you, please leave a valid e-mail address so we can contact you if we need clarification of your request. You can request City services at the City of Lawrence website at [http://www.ci.lawrence.ks.us/request\\_city\\_services](http://www.ci.lawrence.ks.us/request_city_services). You'll find this helpful form there.

**What do you need help with?**

	Contact Form	Phone
<b>Abandoned Vehicles</b>		(785) 832-7509
<b>Backflow Test Report</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-7800
<b>Barking Dog</b>		(785) 832-7509
<b>Code Enforcement</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-3111
<b>Report a Damaged Curb</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-3111
<b>Report a Damaged Sidewalk</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-3125
<b>Dilapidated House</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-7700
<b>Graffiti</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-5354
<b>Hazardous Parking</b>		(785) 832-7509
<b>Overhanging Trees and Shrubs</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-7979
<b>Potholes</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-3456
<b>Request GIS Data Sets</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-3325
<b>Stray Dog</b>		(785) 832-7509
<b>Stormwater Blockage</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-3123
<b>Street Lights Not Working</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(800) 544-4857
<b>Broken Traffic/Street Signs and Signals</b>		<b>M F, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.</b> (785) 832-3035 <b>After Hours/Weekends</b> (785) 832-7509
<b>Weeds</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-7700
<b>Water Service</b>	<del>Establish, transfer or stop</del> services	(785) 832-7878
<b>Water Taste/Odor/Appearance</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-7800
<b>Website Help</b>	<a href="#">Contact Form</a>	(785) 832-3337
<b>Emergencies</b>		
<b>Police, Fire and Ambulance:</b>		911
<b>Water Main Break:</b>		(785) 832-7800

# East Lawrence Neighborhood!

*Fall is just around the corner. All of those beautiful leaves will fall - onto your yard. Are you prepared? Eliminate those yard waste bags and heavy lifting by purchasing a new Yard Waste Cart!*



The City of Lawrence is selling brown 95-gallon yard waste carts to be used for Monday yard waste collection. These carts are for yard waste collection only; no trash, please.

#### Benefits of a Yard Waste Cart:

- Eliminate heavy lifting
- 330 lb. capacity (equivalent to 6 paper yard waste bags)
- Built-in vents to control odor
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- Wide opening for easy fills
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To purchase, please complete the online form available at [www.lawrenceks.org/swm](http://www.lawrenceks.org/swm).

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Your \$1.00 membership in ELNA and contact information help us represent East Lawrence in our city and county government and to meet the needs of our neighborhood. Please note, memberships are per individual, not per household.

*Support us. Let us support you.*

\$5.00 for out-of-neighborhood members

\$20.00 for in-neighborhood businesses

\$10.00 for in-neighborhood non-profits

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ We print the names of new & returning ELNA members in the ELNA newsletter. Check here if it is OK to print your name.
- ☐ I'd like to be part of the East Lawrence Safety Network calling tree
- ☐ I would like to join the ELNA Yahoo group – please invite me.
- ☐ Please add me to the “Thursday ELNA News” (the weekly neighborhood newsletter) email list.
- ☐ I do not want to be included in email messages.
- ☐ Please remove me from the mailing list. Send to ELNA, Box 442393, Lawrence, KS 66044

Make checks payable to ELNA  
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***Plus! ELNA's website has a new paypal button, so feel free to donate securely there!***

## ELNA Needs Your Help! Please Volunteer!

Mark what ELNA events/skills you would like to volunteer for:

- \_\_\_ Work Days
- \_\_\_ YART Sale
- \_\_\_ Block Party
- \_\_\_ Adopt-A-Family
- \_\_\_ Art
- \_\_\_ Music
- \_\_\_ Photography
- \_\_\_ Gardening
- \_\_\_ Grilling
- \_\_\_ Fund Raising
- \_\_\_ Historic Preservation
- \_\_\_ Serving on the ELNA Board
- \_\_\_ Website Management
- \_\_\_ Baking/ Cooking
- \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_