

Quarterly Neighborhood Performance Report - Quarter Three (February-April) Due May. 10

Neighborhood__ East Lawrence _____ Completed By_____ Phil Collison _____ Date__ 05/10/19 _____
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Each Neighborhood is required to have at least quarterly meetings. (minutes must be attached.)	Meeting Date #1	<u>02/11/19</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Not yet</u>
	Meeting Date #2	<u>03/11/19</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Yes</u>
	Meeting Date #3	<u>04/08/19</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Not yet</u>

How was the neighborhood notified of the meeting(s)? (check all that apply)	email	<u>X</u>
	newsletter	<u>X</u>
	other announcement? (please specify)	<u>Facebook Event</u>

Officer elections this quarter? (if so, attach list of new officers)	Yes	No	<u>X</u>
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Each Neighborhood is encouraged to produce regular newsletters.	Date of Newsletter	<u>03/01/19</u>	Copy Attached? (required)	<u>Yes</u>
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Also to be attached: _____

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

See attached

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

Once again, we think we helped our neighbors. We have taken on a number of things and have discovered we should not over commit. We have to make sure we have a champion in order to move forward successfully.

Any other information your neighborhood association feels will be information that will help to provide a clear view of your neighborhood associations accomplishments. (recommended). We were busy this quarter. We held our annual Yart Sale on March 30th which is one of our big fundraisers for the year. We raised about \$2000 and had over 250 participants at this year's successful event. We helped a neighbor out by rebuilding their brick sidewalk over 2 weekends, one in this quarter and the finish is in the next quarter. We had about 10 vounteers and got about 2/3 of the way done with the job at the end of this quarter. Our collaboratve project with the Arts Center continued on with the selection of the 5 artists for the second round out of 27 quality submissions. We also participated in City process and sent out our weekly email news and printed one newsletter.

East Lawrence Neighborhood Association

Meeting Agenda

Monday February 11th • 7:00pm-9:00pm New York School Library, 936 New York St

1. Introductions - 2 min
2. Housekeeping Announcements - 2 min
 - a. March 11th, 2nd Monday, USD 497 Spring Break, meet at DSC
3. Approvals 4 min
Agenda / Minutes - January
REMINDER: CDBG qrt report: fill in meetings attended, esp BOARD
4. New business
 - a. Tenants to Homeowners -- Nicholas Ward -- 10 min
 - b. Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging -- Michele Dillon -- 10 min
 - c. Humane Society guest, new City ordinances -- Katie Barnett - 10 min
 - d. Opportunity Zones, LAN recap -- 5 min
 - i. Meeting Feb 12th 3:30-5:30 at Bioscience & Technology Business Center
 - e. Elect New LAN rep, LAN dues due -- 5 min
5. Recurring Updates - 30 min
 - a. HUB - 5 min
 - b. Sidewalk project for JeanAnn and Dave -- 5 min
 - c. East 9th Update, City portion - 2 min
 - d. Rebuilding East Ninth Together update -- 5min
 - e. Downtown Plan -- Todd Foster - 5 min
 - f. 13th st bicycle boulevard -- Phil - 2 min
 - g. RiverKings next steps -- Phil -- 2min
 - h. Conservation Overlay - 2 min
 - i. Advertisers for next newsletter -- Mar Apr, Aaron
6. Reports - 20 minutes
 - a. President
 - b. Vice-President
 - c. Treasurer
 - d. Coordinator
 - e. Committees
 - i. Budget/ Fundraising Committee
 - ii. Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods
 - iii. Planning Commission
 - iv. Historic Resources Commission
 - v. City Commission
 - vi. CDAC
 - vii. New York PTO/Site Council
7. Updates / Announcements

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• ELNA Minutes – February 11, 2019

Present: Mike Anderson, Pam Blackburn, Phil Collison, Josh Davis, Lane Eisenbart, Dave Loewenstein, Aaron Paden, KT Walsh

Joe Bickford, Katie Barnett, Gage Buffinton, Pat Cadhel, Michelle Dillon, Todd Foster, Cassy Lamberton, Lisa Larson, Mandi Enfile, Judy Romero, Kaitlin Stanley, Nicholas Ward

Meeting called to order by Phil Collison. March meeting will be at DSC (spring break). January minutes were reviewed. Josh moved to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by KT. Minutes were approved.

Nicholas Ward spoke for Tenant to Homeowners about upcoming event on 3/9 at the library. There will be a viewing of the 1st community land trust film. There will also be panels for community discussions including smart density and how it contributes to affordable housing. Scott McClullough is drafting language to present to City Commission to allow 2 houses to be built on one lot for permanently affordable housing.

Michelle Dillon from JaKatie Barnett from the Lawrence Humane Society spoke about the recent press on vicious animals. Also, they are working to have the city ordinance be changed to better define “provide shelter”. She also explained the feral cat policy. There are feral cat colonies in east Lawrence. The plan is to trap, neuter, vaccinate and then release.

Opportunity zones information meeting tomorrow 3:30 at the Lied Center.

Looking for a LAN rep. LAN meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the library from 7 to 9.

HUB group gave a presentation on their proposed development at 11th & Mass. It has 615 bedrooms, the appearance of 4 stories on the Mass side, 5-6 on the NH side. The overall height of the proposed building is 65 feet on Courthouse side. They have 273 parking spaces planned. HRC to review on 3/21.

Aaron moved that ELNA write a letter asking city commission to put a moratorium on new development downtown until the downtown master plan is complete. Pam seconded. Dave ask to table the motion wondering what the unintended consequences would be. There will be further discussion next meeting.

Discussion on JeanAnn’s sidewalk: sidewalk work needs warmer weather. There are 3 programs to help with those who can’t afford to fix their sidewalk problems: HUD grants, Corner lot help, Apply to put on property tax.

East 9th (city portion): sidewalks should be complete soon.

Rebuilding E 9th: 1st round of RFP will select 5 artists. Original artists may select which phase they want to participate in.

Downtown plan: Todd said there was not a lot of communication. He attended the 2/4 public outreach meeting. There is a survey on line. Consultants are not advertising meetings, timelines or much of anything.

13th St Bicycle: 1st meeting was tonight. There have been a lot of questions about how suitable 13th is for this project.

Conservation Overlay: letter coming out to ask for staff to assist.

CDAC has been folded into A-HAB board.

Treasurer: \$4470.56 balance

Coordinator: Newsletter, coordinating for the YART sale on 3/30

KT moved to adjourn the meeting. Pam seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

East Lawrence Neighborhood Association

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Monday March 11th • 7:00pm-9:00pm Delaware St Commons

1. Introductions - 2 min
2. Housekeeping Announcements - 2 min
3. Approvals 4 min
Agenda / Minutes - February
REMINDER: CDBG qrt report: fill in meetings attended, esp BOARD
4. New business
 - a. HUB Presentation -- 30 minutes
 - b. East Lawrence Criterium Bike Races -- Michael Morley -- 15 min
 - c. Richard Renner -- East Ninth idea, wants feedback -- 15 min
 - d. LAC -- 5 minutes - Phil
5. Recurring Updates - 20 min
 - a. Yart Sale -- 5 min
 - b. Sidewalk project for JeanAnn and Dave -- 2 min
 - c. East 9th Update, City portion - 2 min
 - d. Rebuilding East Ninth Together update -- 5 min
 - e. Downtown Plan -- Todd Foster - 2 min
 - f. 13th st bicycle boulevard -- Phil - 1 min
 - g. RiverKings -- Phil
 - h. Conservation Overlay - 2 min
 - i. Advertisers for next newsletter
6. Reports - 10 minutes
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East Lawrence Neighborhood Association Minutes

Monday March 11th 2019 • 7:00pm-9:00pm Delaware St Commons

Present:

Aaron Paden, Catherine Reed, Chad Matesi, Dave Lowenstein, David Lamberton, Sacie Lamberton, Jane Eldredge, Jay Holley, Joe R. Bickford, Judy Romero, Kaitlin Stanley, KH, KT Walsh, Lane Eisenbart, Michael Almon, Mike Anderson, Mike Rheim, Pam Blackburn, Patrick Watkins, Peggy Robinson, Phil Collison, Richard Renner, Rodney King, Scott Stager

The Meeting was called to order at 7:05 by president Phil Collison

1. Introductions
2. Housekeeping Announcements
3. Approvals. No approvals.
REMINDER: We were reminded to fill in meetings attended for the CDBG quarterly report.
4. New business
 1. East Lawrence Criterium Bike Races -- Michael Morley. A bike race is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, July 7, from 9 am through 5 pm. The race would start at the Cider Gallery and follow a route including New York Street and Ninth Street. Neighbor Mike Rheim is part of the organizing group and is trying to talk to impacted neighbors—this route was chosen because it's not densely residential. There's a concern that AME parishioners may be endangered and inconvenienced by the race—possibly an alternate route or date could be developed. Morley wants to meet with a committee outside meeting time.
 2. Richard Renner, performing artist, is thinking about a Front Porch Festival this fall or next spring. Bands, poetry readings, puppet shows and other events would be staged on neighborhood porches within walking distance, all in one afternoon through early evening. About 20 houses would be involved, two or three bands would play at each. There will be no entry into houses and no alcohol. Porta-potties will be needed. Richard is applying for a Rebuilding East Ninth Together grant to do this—if it's funded, Richard will get back to ELNA for help with publicity. Steve Mason is in favor.
 3. LAC. Phil. Plans have been in the works, for years, for the Arts Center to buy the Salvation Army Building and convert it to green space. There is City involvement and some legal obstacles. Margaret of the Arts Center has been in touch with Phil to ask for collaboration with East Lawrence. If LAC needs a committee to help, Phil, Mike Anderson, Aaron Paden and Jay Holley will help.
 4. HUB Presentation by CORE Spaces. The company is requesting a permit to build a 250-unit, 614-bed apartment building on the NE corner of 11th and Mass Streets, plus a 272-space parking structure with housing on New Hampshire St. In response to HRC concerns the company has reduced the height by two storeys, removed most balconies and added retail at street level. Concerns remain that parking won't be adequate and that the building is out of proportion to the area. Concerns remain regarding what effect the proposed building would have on housing affordability and on gentrification of the area. HRC and the Planning Commission will continue to study permitting this structure.
5. Recurring Updates
 1. Yart Sale. March 30. Let's donate to and publicize this sale. Lane has made an event on Facebook, please share.
 2. Sidewalk project for JeanAnn and Dave. Aaron will organize the work, possibly on Sunday April 28.
 3. East 9th Update, City portion. The sidewalk by the Wishing Bench is done.
 4. Rebuilding East Ninth Together update. RFP1 is out.
 5. Downtown Plan -- Todd Foster. No report.
 6. 13th St bicycle boulevard -- Phil. Temporary, pop up features will be placed at 13th and Connecticut on Thursday March 21. There will be no left turn onto 13th. There are concerns that

the city is not receptive to comments on this issue. Aaron will write a letter to the city suggesting 12th or 14th St, rather than 13th, as the bike boulevard.

7. RiverKings. No report
 8. Conservation Overlay. HRC is still asking the city for help. Staff time is needed. Demo permits are out for 1009 New Jersey and 1241 Pennsylvania.
 9. Advertisers for next newsletter. No report.
6. Reports
- a. President CDBG funding has been allocated, about the same as last year.
 - b. Vice-President (above)
 - c. Treasurer. We have \$3894.42 in the bank, down about \$1000 from last month. How can we increase readership of the newsletter?
 - d. Coordinator. YART sale, prep for NY school's 150th anniversary on Sept. 22. Get items in for May/June newsletter by April 15th/
 - e. Committees. Most of these were covered above.
 - i. Budget/ Fundraising Committee
 - ii. Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods
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 - iv. Historic Resources Commission
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 - vii. New York PTO/Site Council
2. Updates / Announcements. None.

East Lawrence Neighborhood Association

Meeting Agenda

Monday April 8th • 7:00pm-9:00pm New York School library

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2. Housekeeping Announcements - 2 min
3. Approvals 4 min
Agenda / Minutes - February, March
REMINDER: CDBG qrt report: fill in meetings attended, esp BOARD
4. New business
 - a. 13th st bicycle boulevard -- letter
 - b. ELNA Financial Reports to Web - 10 min
 - c. Vandalism at Wishing Bench next steps - 10 min
5. Recurring Updates - 20 min
 - a. Sidewalk project for JeanAnn and Dave -- 10 min
 - b. East 9th Update, City portion - 2 min
 - c. Rebuilding East Ninth Together update -- 5 min
 - d. Downtown Plan -- Todd Foster - 2 min
 - e. RiverKings -- Phil
 - f. Conservation Overlay - 2 min
 - g. Arts Center Greenspace - 5 min
 - h. Advertisers for next newsletter - 5 min
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East Lawrence Neighborhood Association
Minutes
Monday April 8th, 2019, New York School library

Present: Aaron Paden, Catherine Reed, Chris Schmid, Dave Lowenstein, Holly Myers, Joe R. Bickford, Joshua Davis, Kaitlin Stanley, KT Walsh, Mike Anderson, Mike Nevels, Nickie Daneke, Peggy Robinson, Phil Collison, Tami Nevels

The meeting was called to order by president Phil Collison at 7:05.

1. Introductions
2. Housekeeping Announcements
3. Approvals. The March minutes were approved.
REMINDER: We were reminded to fill in meetings attended for the CDBG quarterly report.
4. New business
 - a. 13th St bicycle boulevard. There's an impression of many negative public comments. Some have suggested a 4-way stop at the intersection. Aaron suggested the bike boulevard be located on 12th or 14th St rather than 13th. The demonstration project at 13th and Connecticut does not improve bicycle safety. Phil: we need a left turn from 13th onto Connecticut. The proposition goes before the Transportation Committee the first Monday in May. Phil will attend. Aaron, Phil and Kaitlin will write a letter opposing the 13th St. plan and submit it to the board for feedback.
 - b. ELNA Financial Reports to Web. Aaron suggests a google spreadsheet on the website. This would be visible to the public. Aaron and Mike will work on this.
 - c. Wishing Bench vandalism. Catherine and Dave will monitor the bench and take photos. The ownership is not clear—perhaps ELNA could adopt the bench. Money can be found.
5. Recurring Updates
 - a. Sidewalk project for JeanAnn and Dave. Aaron. Workdays are planned for April 26 and 27. Aaron will prep the site on Friday night. Holly's group will do the demolition of the old sidewalk. Joe will consult with the city and city arborist regarding damage to tree roots. Aaron will bring tools on Saturday. Note: the city will evaluate all the sidewalks in Lawrence within the next eight years.
 - b. East 9th Update, City portion. East 9th is dug up between Penn and New Jersey.
 - c. Rebuilding East Ninth Together update. Twenty-eight strong submissions have been received. Jurors will meet April 20 to choose five of them, and later five more will be chosen.
 - d. Downtown Plan. There is a survey and interactive map on the city website. The public should express our opinions. Public meetings will be held.
 - e. RiverKings. Phil. The display is now at the Mariott. Barbara would like a permanent spot at the Santa Fe Depot. The city is looking for a business to place there.
 - f. Conservation Overlay. This will be discussed at the extra ELNA meeting on Monday at 8:30 pm at the Red Lyon.
 - g. Arts Center Greenspace. The Salvation Army will be purchased by the Arts Center, or by the City, and demolished to provide green space.
 - h. Advertisers for next newsletter. The Dragons Hoard will advertise in the May/June issue. They have meeting rooms, snacks and a 3-D printer. Kaitlin will find an advertiser for July.
6. Reports
 - a. President. AirBnB policy remains confusing. Accessory dwelling units for affordable housing remain controversial.
 - b. Vice-President. Tom Holland in Baldwin is sponsoring a Golden Age property tax bill to help low-income old people keep their homes. KT will write a letter and submit it to the board for comments.
 - c. Treasurer. We have \$6257.75 in the bank, a good sum. The Yart sale grossed \$2280.67.
 - d. Coordinator (by Aaron). We checked the list of thank-yous for the sale. Planning is proceeding to combine the 150th anniversary of New York school and the ELNA block party on September 28. The

anniversary celebration will come first, the block party will follow in the evening. Newsletter submissions are due April 15. There's a river cleanup with Friends of the Kaw on April 27.

e. Committees

- i. Budget/ Fundraising Committee. No report.
- ii. Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods. Health equity perception varies among races. West Lawrence residents are concerned about sidewalk repairs.
- iii. Planning Commission. HUB got the special use permit. They will appeal the HRC ruling.
- iv. Historic Resources Commission. 1116 Penn, the burned property, will be covered by the city. HUB was rejected. 1009 New Jersey will be torn down and replaced by a well-designed house.
- v. City Commission. No report
- vi. CDAC. No report
- vii. New York PTO/Site Council. No report

- 2. Updates / Announcements. Tami and Mike Nevels have bought the house at 1035 Penn and are considering using the site for affordable housing as transition to independent living. There would be seven units, and a caseworker would be on hand. According to Nickie Daneke of the Lawrence Housing Authority there is some funding available for this. Tami and Mike are seeking ELNA's opinion before proceeding. ELNA suggested they talk to the neighbors. More planning will be done.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

East Lawrence News

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March 2019



ELNA

General Meeting
Delaware Street Commons
Common House
1222 Delaware

March 11 • 7-9 pm

Agenda

the agenda as it is known can
always be viewed on our website:

[http://
www.eastlawrence.com/meetings/](http://www.eastlawrence.com/meetings/)

From The President:

It's March already. Hopefully there are signs of spring in the neighborhood. Despite the cold and snow we have had the past couple weeks, I have seen people out and about walking, cycling, and riding electric skateboards. There are always people getting out and about in the 'hood.

We are looking forward to Spring. Our YART Sale is Saturday March 30th! Kickball at Hobbs Park will begin in May!

Some things we are keeping an eye on.

The physical rebuild of E. 9th Street. The work on phase 2, the eastern half, is slated to continue in March. Between the two phases of street construction workers have been focusing on rebuilding sidewalks. It is scheduled to be finished before the Food Truck Fest on May 4th.

The HUB Project. This is the Student Housing Development proposed for 11th and Massachusetts and New Hampshire Street. The one with 615 beds and 272 parking places that will impact the character of Downtown. It will be on the Historic Resources Commission (HRC) Agenda on March 21st.

Bike Boulevard on 13th Street. The City held 2 public input sessions with their hired consultants to give neighbors a sense of what a bike boulevard might look like. The goal is to lower speeds and decrease auto traffic along the street. This will connect the Burroughs Creek Trail / Lawrence Loop to the newly created bicycle lanes along Massachusetts Street. Design proposals should be ready for the April Transportation Commission Meeting.

Conservation Overlay. The HRC wrote a letter to the City Commission asking that they authorize planning staff to begin work on Design Guidelines for our Neighborhood. Watch for details emerging from that.

Rebuilding East Ninth Together Art Project. The 3rd listening session will be on March 3rd at the newly remodeled Santa Fe Depot from 2 – 5 pm. Work is progressing in this Community Arts Project.

Prairie Block Project. KU Architecture Students have teamed up with Parks and Rec to build a Park Shelter at 15th and the Burroughs Creek Trail in the Park there. There will also be a short nature trail that will offer interaction with the creek. Watch for a Community Party on National Trails Day on June 1st!

Lots of things are happening in East Lawrence. Come join the fun and get involved! Our meetings are now on the 2nd Monday of the month, and in March we will meet at Delaware St. Commons. We hope to see you!



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Come To the YART Sale!

Come one, come all, to the annual ELNA YART (yard/art) Sale! This year's sale will be **Saturday, March 30th, 8am-2pm, in the New York School Gym**. The YART sale is ELNA's biggest annual fundraiser, where neighbors donate their gently used items to sell, local artists vend their creations, and we are all entertained by our neighborhood musicians.

The YART sale is always a great place to mingle with neighbors and find treasures – we hope you will join us!

AND we need your help to make the event a success.

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New York PTA Update, Trauma Informed Schools

TRAUMA INFORMED SCHOOLS INFORMATIONAL MEETING & SCHOOL DANCE: April 12th

Focus of this year's PTA:

Student's Social and Emotional Learning

New York Elementary PTA is planning an event to educate parents, guardians, and community members on what it means to be a "Trauma-Informed School." Stay tuned for a date and time for this event by following the New York PTA Facebook page, and by attending PTA meetings on the first Thursday of every month. If you're interested in joining the subcommittee that is planning this event, please email Jamie St.Viva at jamiest.viva@outlook.com

Do you know the answers to the following questions?

- What is the percentage of students at New York Elementary who need higher levels of support for social and emotional learning?
- What is considered the "average" percentage of students in our district who need additional support for social and emotional learning?
- Why is the focus of this year's PTA about improving social and emotional learning?
- What does it mean to be a "Trauma-Informed School?"
- What steps is New York Elementary currently taking to become a "Trauma-Informed School?"
- What kind of services does the WRAP program offer?
- What services does our School Counselor provide?
- What is a CI3T Model of Prevention?

After our short event with answers to these questions, we'll have dinner provided by the PTA, and a SCHOOL DANCE hosted by the Student Leaders Club.

Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging Summary of Services and Event

The Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging is active and available to serve the needs of seniors in our community. JAAA works with adults 60 and over, and their caregivers, to provide information and resources, develop plans of care, assess for safety in the home, and refer as needed. We also provide information on how to access transportation and other community resources, how to navigate the social service system, help with housing, caregiver support and options counseling. Some of our programs include SCA and CHAMPSS. SCA (Senior Care Act) program is for persons 55+ in need of homemaking and bathing services and is offered on a sliding scale. We offer a CHAMPSS program, which stands for Choosing Healthy Appetizing Meal Plan Solutions for Seniors, a federally funded nutrition program to help seniors access meals in the dining areas of local Hy-Vee and Dillons stores. A CHAMPSS sign up and orientation is held at the library the first Monday of each month at 2:00pm.

The Lawrence Area Partners on Aging is sponsoring its 14th annual Senior Health Fair on March 12th from 9am to 1pm, at Rock Chalk Sports Park. Stop by the JAAA Booth for more information on our services.

Michele Dillon, DG/JF county lead
www.jhawkaaa.org
85-832-0754
find us on Facebook

New/Returning Members

Pat Kehde
Diane E.Taveggia
Carey Maynard-Moody
Brian Seveland
Kaw Valley I.T.
Peggy Westergard
Dragon's Hoard
Pauline Coffey
Austin H. Turney
Laura Odell
Kristen M. Buford
Lisa Tozer
Lilly Mason
Anil Kamat
Kristen Allen
Jake Bellucci
Jon Griffith
Brogan Griffith
Liz Koziol
Kaitlin Stanley
Bill Dodd
Sam Moore
Christian Beer
Katherine Beer
Juliet Skinner
The Davis Family
Mike Rundle
Dennis Miller
Jean Ann Pike
Dave Pike
Emily Cope
David Haigh
Uma Outka
Paul Outka
Kiley Powers
Elizabeth Tilma
Bev Schuster
Alana Winner
Kat Panas
Kathleen Hamilton
Robert Baker
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Marc Epard
Hannah Windholz
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Paula Schumacher
Emmy Rivera
Ginger Chance
Heather Coates
Scott Watson
Al Mauler
Marey Mauler
Kirsten Yunuba Stephens
Tom Yunuba Stephens
Emily L. Heath

YART Sale continued

Here's what you can do to take part in this neighborhood event:

Donate Your Gently Used Items - Please consider donating your gently used items for this event. You can either plan to bring items to the school the evening before (we will be setting up from 5:30-9pm on Friday), or email Lane for details on where you can drop off your items ahead of time.

VOLUNTEER - We need volunteers! Volunteer to set up (on Friday, Mar. 29th, 5:30-9pm), take down/clean up (Saturday, Mar 30th @ ~1pm), and to help organize and work at the event.

Sell Your Art - Do you make stuff? Do you sell the stuff you make? Well! Why not sell at the YART Sale?! Vendors are asked to donate 10% of earnings to ELNA and bring their own table.

Play Your Music - Are you a musician looking for a venue? Playing for your neighbors at the YART Sale is nice and chill, and it may be just the place for you to make some beautiful music. Email us if you're interested!

Plan to Come! - The YART Sale is ELNA's big fundraiser for the year. Please plan to come and shop and support us and the work we do for the community! Cash is preferred, but we can do cards in a pinch. :)

One neighbor's trash is another neighbor's treasure!

Upcoming Events at Sunrise Project

Community Conversation at Sunrise Project! March 6th, 6-8 p.m.

Lawrence Public Library invites participants to share their aspirations for our community, voice concerns and share ideas for how to make our community stronger. Refreshments provided! \$20 honorarium provided to each participant. RSVP here! <https://lawrence.bibliocommons.com/events/5c62f9aedff5862a004ac6a6>

DIG IN! March 30, 12-3pm

Dig in to some delicious food, the garden - or both! Sunrise will be serving lunch, planting the community garden and launching our wheelchair accessible garden beds!

Lunch starting at noon. Ribbon cutting at 1:00 pm. Gardening all afternoon. Live music and more!

Spring Plant Sales! April 6 & April 20, 9am-2pm

Certified organic veggies and herbs, flowers and native plants!

Reasonable prices, awesome plants & all proceeds benefit Sunrise Project!

Join ELNA for \$1.00

HELP YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD - GET A BIG BANG FOR A BUCK!

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. 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

(Please note personal memberships are per individual, not household.)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

- ☐ We print the names of new and returning ELNA members in the ELNA newsletter. Check here if it is okay to print your name.
- ☐ Please add my email to the "Thursday ELNA News" (the weekly enewsletter) email list.

Get even more East Lawrence news!

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ELNA Needs Your Help! Please Volunteer!

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

- ☐ Work Days / Snow Shoveling
- ☐ YART Sale
- ☐ Block Party
- ☐ Adopt-A-Family
- ☐ Music
- ☐ Art
- ☐ Photography
- ☐ Gardening
- ☐ Historic Preservation
- ☐ Serving on the ELNA Board
- ☐ Baking/Cooking
- ☐ Grilling / Concessions
- ☐ Other: _____

Who Was Shelley Miller?

Shelley Miller. It's a name tossed around from time to time. Her face is on the New York School kid mural on the Kansas Key Press building at 9th and New Jersey -- lady with big eyes and long hair and the power to levitate over the neighborhood. Her name is on a plaque in the Community Resource room at New York Elementary, and used to hang outside the school teacher's lounge and kitchen. Recently, Phil posted a happy birthday to her on the ELNA facebook page, recalling her enthusiasm for fireworks. We hear there is even a pair of perfectly age-patinaed size nine cowboy boots, formerly Shelley's, still being passed around from friend to friend so loved ones can walk a mile in her shoes. We know her name, but who was she?

Shelley Miller died on March 1st, 1994, at the age of 40, after a battle with brain cancer. In honor and celebration of her life, friends and family produced a booklet, published by the University of Kansas Libraries, to preserve some of the stories and words shared at Shelley's memorial. This booklet, *Shelley Miller: A Celebration of Her Life* is a great resource for putting a person to the name. The majority of quotes and excerpts reproduced here are lifted from that book. If you'd like to read the booklet in its entirety, ask KT. She's got a few copies to loan.

Shelley was born in Illinois on January 17th, 1954. Her family moved to Lawrence, and she attended Lawrence public schools, graduating from KU with a degree in Spanish and Social Welfare, and got a Master of Library Science degree at UCLA. She traveled much and taught much, and acquired other degrees, later becoming bibliographer and head of the Department for Spain, Portugal, and Latin America at the University of Kansas Libraries. "She went far and wide in her life," a remembrance in the booklet says, "but East Lawrence was always home. It's always where she felt most comfortable and felt a kindred spirit."

Shelley gave much of her time to East Lawrence, serving as ELNA (then ELIA) president, vice-president, newsletter editor, coordinator, liaison with the City Commission and Planning Commission and CDAC. She was a founding member of the Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods and volunteered at New York Elementary, even though she wasn't a parent and didn't have a kid there. She just cared a lot about our neighborhood school. Shelley is responsible for starting the annual MLK Chili Feed with teachers and neighbors, and always prepared the vegetarian chili. The pencil drawing of Shelley displayed on the kitchen plaque (now in the Community Room just inside the school entrance) was lovingly hand drawn by a friend's mother.

When she knew she was about to die Shelley put her major assets into a foundation to support her favored causes. One major gift was to ECM, Ecumenical Campus Ministries, where it supported renovation of the kitchen, now known as the Shelley Miller Kitchen in honor of the gift and of her service. The trash racks -- wooden structures to hold trash cans to keep them from blowing down the alleys -- you can still see behind some East Lawrence homes were organized by Shelley Miller. Shelley was also an early host of the neighborhood free sale, holding it in her yard in the eighties and nineties.

One favorite neighborhood story about Shelley Miller is that people called her the "Ever Vigilant Neighborhood Bitch." The designation began, allegedly, after a City Commission meeting. Someone referred to Shelley as the Neighborhood Bitch because of her activism. Her response was to have t-shirts made up that said "Ever Vigilant Neighborhood Bitch". She and others wore them to future meetings. Another story says that Shelley used to run out into Pennsylvania Street to stop trucks, sometimes in her bathrobe. Trucks were then using Pennsylvania St to swing around and access industries and businesses that were on Delaware St and east. Truck Route ordinances prohibiting trucks on Pennsylvania were not being enforced, so Shelley would go out there and block the trucks (with herself) and give them a lesson in where they should and should not be driving through residential areas. Go Shelley!

Shelley Miller was a lover of well-loved things and earthiness, being described as a "disastrous housekeeper" in the memorial booklet. Phil says she loved fireworks and was a self-proclaimed Deadhead. The Fourth of July was her favorite, and she was known to host parties at her home at 936 Pennsylvania St. She also had bonfires, with fireworks, on the solstice. Shelley lived in Pennsylvania house for about 15 years, and at 14th and Mass before that, and so lived in East Lawrence much of her adult life. The painting of Shelley on the school mural is modeled after her 1972 LHS senior picture.



Shelley's eulogy says, she "lived for her friends, her neighbors, her political comrades, her fellow librarians, her family, and the downtrodden of society. Service...was the hallmark of her life." "She was loved by her friends and respected by her adversaries," another person said. Shelley Miller died twenty five years ago this month, but her generosity and fierce love for her neighborhood live on here in East Lawrence today.

Have You Heard About the HUB? --from neighbor Pat Kehde

Have you heard about The HUB project that is proposed for the 1000 block of Massachusetts and New Hampshire Streets? The Historic Resource Commission will consider this plan at their meeting on Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 6:30pm at City Hall.

The HUB project is a plan for one massive building that will house apartments for students. The building will cover the south end of the 1000 block, from Einstein's Bagels to 11th Street along Massachusetts, and extend along 11th across the alley to New Hampshire Street and then north to Maceli's. A three-level parking garage and some row house apartments would fill the middle of the east side of the block New Hampshire, between the Old English Lutheran Church and the Municipal Court building.

As the plan now stands, the building on Mass. St would be 65 feet 6 inches high (5 stories), and it would be 71 feet high (6 stories) along 11th St. and New Hampshire. It is designed as one huge building, though the façade treatments would have various colors and materials to try to make it look like there are separate buildings.

The HUB's total number of beds for students is 615. The total number of parking spaces available for those renters is 272. Thus, potentially 343 cars will need to park elsewhere, probably in Downtown and East Lawrence.

As a member of East Lawrence Neighborhood Association I think the size of this building could have a negative impact on the neighborhood: noise, traffic, and parking.

As a citizen and frequent user of Downtown services and store, I am concerned about the size, mass and scale of this project. It will tower over all the shops along Mass. St. and the Old English Lutheran Church and it is a few feet taller than both the Watkins Museum and the Douglas County Courthouse. Those three buildings are listed as landmark properties on the Lawrence Register of Historic Places.

As a taxpayer, I would like to see the hired consultants who are currently working on a Master Plan for Downtown, finish their plan in 6-9 months. Then the city can decide upon the HUB development.

For questions or concerns: Send emails to lzollner@lawrenceks.org with the Historic Resource Commission-the HUB in the Subject line, by March 18, 2019.



2019 Compost Facility Services and Spring Compost and Woodchip Sale

In 2019 the City's compost Facility located at 1420 E 11th St, which is east of 11th Street and Haskell Avenue, over the railroad tracks, will be open to the public on Saturdays, starting March 2nd (weather permitting) and running through mid-December from 9am to 3pm.

Residents may drop off brush and other yard waste which includes leaves, grass clippings, garden waste, and prunings from trees and shrubs. Cost: \$5 per pickup truck load (more for larger trucks).

Residents may purchase compost or woodchips. Self-load, bring a shovel. Cost: \$10 per pickup truck load (more for larger trucks). Self-loading small quantities like a small bag or a plastic tote is free. Starting in April through October, on the first Saturday of the month, there will be a City operator onsite to load compost and woodchips into trucks and trailers. Cost: \$10 per pickup truck load (more for larger trucks).

SPRING COMPOST AND WOODCHIP SALE EVENT!

The City will also host a Spring Compost and Woodchip Sale Event Thursday through Saturday March 14, 15, 16, from 8am to 3pm at the Compost Facility. The City will load trucks and trailers at \$10 per bucket load which is equivalent to two cubic yards. The Sale Event will be held rain or shine.

It is CASH ONLY for all transactions at the Compost Facility. Bring a tarp to secure woodchips in trucks and trailers to prevent littering the roadway. Compost and woodchips are not intended for commercial applications but rather for the citizens of Lawrence.

For additional information, visit lawrenceks.org/swm/

Save the Date! Kansas Food Truck Festival

Saturday, May 4th 4:00 - 10:00pm 9th & Pennsylvania Streets

Attractions: 30 food trucks, kids activities including bounce obstacle courses and games, face painting, multiple stages of live music, and buskers! \$10 for General Admission \$50 VIP Ticket

Tickets sold at www.ksfoodtruckfest.com, the Granada and HyVee

Rebuilding East Ninth Together Project Update

The Rebuilding East Ninth Team has updates to share about the progress of the project, including Resident Specialists, the first RFP for art, and Listening Session 3.

Resident Specialists

We are so pleased to announce that neighbors Marty Olson, Judy Romero, Brenda Nuñez, Janet Good, and Charlotte Pessoni have all agreed to serve as our Resident Specialists to the project. Each was selected for his or her personal expertise, unique knowledge and skills, and deep connection to the neighborhood. As stated in the job description, the Resident Specialists will support artists and the project by sharing personal histories, collecting oral histories, and researching East Lawrence's rich past. We look forward to working with them!

RFP

We are also very pleased to announce that the first RFP (Request for Proposals) has been released as of Monday February 18th. The most important things you need to know are that project proposals are NOT limited to traditional visual art, the art does NOT have to be on 9th Street itself, and the deadline to submit a proposal is April 5th, 2019 with a project completion date of April 19, 2020. The payment for each accepted project is \$13,500, to be paid in 4 installments. Initial payment can be invoiced upon contract approval. Lack of capital for up-front expenses should not be a barrier to application.

There will have been an RFP Support and Info Session on February 24th, before the date of this newsletter publication, and another scheduled for just after the YART Sale, on March 30th from 1:30-3:30, Meeting Room A, Lawrence Public Library. The team will also have open office hours Wednesdays, March 6, 20, & 27, 5:30-6PM, Study Room 3, Lawrence Public Library, or anytime by appointment.

We are committed to attracting creative individuals from diverse artistic and cultural backgrounds. Artists from all mediums, traditional to unorthodox, as well as emerging artists who are new to the field of public art are encouraged to apply. There are no residency requirements for this opportunity, but applicants should be aware that the project is community based and will require a connection to or an understanding of the East Lawrence neighborhood.

Please read the entire RFP, with details on how to submit a proposal on the project website <https://www.rebuildingeastninth.com/artists>. Support and mentorship is available. Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns to Project Facilitator Mandy Enfield 9th-streetmandy@gmail.com, or any team member.

Listening Session 3

Listening Session 3 will take place on Sunday March 3rd, from 2-5pm at the newly remodeled Santa Fe Depot at 7th and New York Streets. The goal of this interactive (doodle-listen-speak) gathering is to wrap up the work from our previous meetings and solidify the values that will be used to guide the art selection for the project. We will update everyone on the Team's progress, share ideas, and answer questions. Your feedback is essential as it will directly impact art selection. Folks interested in submitting Youth Corps or project proposals are also strongly encouraged to attend. This is the final input session before artist recruitment begins.

Do be sure to check out the project website. In addition to the full RFP, there you'll find an updated timeline of the project, all input and materials collected thus far and other historical documents.

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River Clean Up — Save the Date

ELNA will partner with Friends of the Kaw again this year for our spring river clean up. The Kansas River Big Cleanup event will take place on April 27th. Watch for a Facebook event and a flyer and more details to come in early March.

Prairie Block Project on The Burroughs Creek Trail

Prairie Block is happening this spring!

What is Prairie Block? It's a native prairie restoration with a picnic shelter and an extension of the Lawrence Community Orchard at Burroughs Creek Park and along the Burroughs Creek Trail between 14th and 15th Streets. The goal is to beautify the park and trail, attract pollinators, grow more free fruit for the community, and better manage watershed health by reducing pollution and sedimentation in the creek. It will be the first public prairie restoration in East Lawrence and will serve our neighborhood with eco-education opportunities and a healthier environment.

Prairie Block will also serve as a demonstration site for urban prairie restorations along trails, greenways, and parks throughout Lawrence. Over time, Parks and Rec will share their urban prairie management expertise with maintenance crews at the City, KU, and others so the knowledge gained will be passed along.

Twelve KU School of Architecture students have been working with Lawrence Parks and Rec, Westar's Green Team, Struct/ReStruct and neighbors in East Lawrence and Brook Creek and Barker on designing and building the shelter. Thanks to everyone who provided input on the Prairie Block designs at the Seed Fair February 9th and the Community Design Review on February 13th.

Thanks to other partners including Sculptor Karl Ramberg, prairie ecologist Courtney Masterson, Lawrence Fruit Tree Project for their expertise, and Douglas County Natural & Cultural Heritage Grant Program, Jayhawk Audubon, Kansas Biological Survey, Grassland Heritage Foundation, Friends of the Kaw, Native Lands LLC, Friends of Lawrence Area Trails, and Friends of the Kaw for their support. We'd also like to thank Cottin's Hardware who have kindly stepped up to provide materials and equipment to the students as they construct the shade structure. RD Johnson Excavating Company is generously donating several large limestone boulders for the pathway and creek access.

HOLD THE DATE Join us June 1 for a Prairie Block Party on National Prairie Day and National Trails Day! There will be a ribbon-cutting, live music, food, hands-on kids' eco- and art activities, walking tours, trails events and info on all things buggy, birdy, butterfly-y, and bike-y from local nonprofits to celebrate our prairies and trails.

LOVE THY NEIGHBOR signs for sale

This summer, the Mission and Service Board at Plymouth Congregational Church bought over 250 Love Thy Neighbor yard signs. (You may be familiar with the signs -- green, blue and orange, with text in Spanish, English, and Arabic.) We overestimated the demand. In order to recoup our investment in the signs, so that the money can be put to use for other service projects, we are selling the signs at cost, which is \$6. If interested, contact Mission and Service Board Chair Michelle Ward at ward67846@gmail.com.

Downtown Master Plan

Background: Through the City's strategic planning process, the City Commission identified a priority initiative of creating a Downtown Master Plan that includes identifying needed and desirable assets, identifying existing infrastructure and uses, and discovering potential uses and obstacles in response to the critical success factor of Economic Growth and Security. The desire is to create a sustainable plan that recognizes the existing successful nature of downtown and enhances downtown by incorporating innovative and creative initiatives through intensive stakeholder and community input.

The plan will explore all elements of a master plan including, but not limited to, land use relationships, opportunities for development and redevelopment, programming of public space, landscaping, transportation, infrastructure and streetscape, with a heavy emphasis on cultural and historical resources and activities.

Houseal Lavigne Associates (HLA) was selected through a Request for Proposals (RFP) process in October 2018 to be the City's consultant on the plan. The project website at <http://www.hlplanning.com/portals/lawrence/>

contains more information on the process and ways to get involved including news, surveys, interactive maps and mapping tools, workshop dates, focus groups, and the names and contacts of the Downtown Master Plan Steering Committee members. Meeting dates and minutes of the Downtown Master Plan Steering Committee meetings will be available on that site as well. All questions or comments may also be directed to downtown-plan@lawrenceks.org. You can sign up to receive email updates for the Downtown Master Plan (and other City news) at <https://lawrenceks.org/subscriptions/>.

Rhode Island Street neighbor Todd Foster is the East Lawrence representative to the Downtown Master Plan Steering Committee. Todd can be reached at toddafoster@gmail.com.

Community Workshops were scheduled for the week of February 4th, but were cancelled due to weather. Additional input opportunities will be scheduled in the near future. Check the project website for those workshop dates.

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