

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

Neighborhood__East Lawrence Neighborhood Assn__ Completed By__Phil Collison____ Date__05/10/2020____
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Each Neighborhood is required to have at least quarterly meetings. (minutes must be attached.)	Meeting Date #1	<u>02/10/20</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Y</u>
	Meeting Date #2	<u>03/09/20</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Y</u>
	Meeting Date #3	<u>04/13/20</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>Y</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 and Twitter</u>

Officer elections this quarter? (if so, attach list of new officers)	Yes <u>X</u>	No
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Each Neighborhood is encouraged to produce regular newsletters.	Date of Newsletter	<u>03/01/20</u>	Copy Attached? (required)	<u>Yes x1</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 the attached document.*

Best practices in regard to neighborhood events that can be shared with other neighborhood associations. Provide information on outreach, event, and outcome. (recommended) *In this quarter we attended LAN meetings. Half of our quarter was spent quarantining from the Covid virus. We had to postpone our Yart Sale which is our biggest annual fundraiser. We used zoom to host our April Meeting, and we tried to be a clearinghouse of information that would be of use to neighbors who were staying at home due to the virus. All to further the objective of making our neighbors' quarantines easier.*

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 continued to follow developments within our Neighborhood and supported our neighbor's voices on these developments. We also had to recognize our role in this current pandemic, which we believe is to inform our neighbors what services are out there that can help them. We had to recognize we are not social workers and don't necessarily know how to help neighbor's directly but point them to services that can help them.*

East Lawrence Neighborhood Association

Meeting Agenda

Monday February 10th • 7:00pm-9:00pm New York School library

1. Introductions - 2 min
2. Housekeeping Announcements - 2 min
3. Approvals 4 min
Agenda / Minutes -- Dec, Jan
REMINDER: CDBG qrt report: fill in meetings attended, esp BOARD
4. New business
 - a. Food Truck Festival - Elizabeth Keever -10 min
 - b. E9th Artist Guests -- Mona Cliff (mural and bus bench), Hang 12 (art box) - 5 min
 - c. City of Lawrence Strategic Plan -- Andrea Rapinsky
 - d. New secretary election - 10 min
 - e. CDBG application, set meeting - 3 min
 - f. Santa Fe Depot Update - Joe Bickford - 5 min
5. Recurring Updates
 - a. Rebuilding East Ninth Together update -- 5 min
 - b. Newsletter funding status - 30 min
 - c. Monthly Burroughs Creek clean up - 3 min
 - d. 20 mph Speed Limit and stop sign at 9th and DE- KT 5 min
 - e. Krsnik development update, status of letter - 10 min
 - f. Loop on the River update - 3min
 - g. City ROW permit process review
6. Reports - 10 minutes
 - a. President
 - b. Vice-President
 - c. Treasurer
 - d. Coordinator
 - e. Committees - 10 min
 - i. Budget/ Fundraising -- newsletter costs and solutions, other ways to bring in funds -- tshirts, metals, ads, lifetime memberships, extra promo Yart Sale
 - ii. Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods
 - iii. Planning Commission
 - iv. Historic Resources Commission
 - v. City Commission
 - vi. CDAC - Deadline for application is 2/21
 - vii. New York PTA/Site Council -- Safe Routes to School -- update from Barry?
7. Updates / Announcements - 2 min

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1. ELNA Minutes – February 10, 2020

Present: Joe Bickford, Pam Blackburn, Kathrine Clark, Mona Cliff, Phil Collison, Amanda Davis, Josh Davis, Lane Eisenbart, Hank Hurst, Frank Janzen, Sacie Lambertson, Dave Loewenstein, Mary Jo McPherson, Brenda Nuñez, Aaron Paden, Andrea Repinsky, Peggy Robinson, Kelly Rodriguez, Barry Shalinsky, KT Walsh,

Meeting called to order by Phil. December minutes were reviewed. Barry moved the minutes be accepted. Josh seconded. January minutes were reviewed. Josh moved the minutes be accepted. KT seconded.

Hang 12 (Art Box) spoke on their project for 9th street. The project objective is to give new artists a way to gain exposure and for the community to share art. They can donate their work and leave in a designated box and others to take. They are looking for an appropriate place to build the box. Suggestions include 15th, 13th & 9th.

Mona Cliff from Natives Now spoke on her project at 11th & Penn. Murals will be installed on Dragon's Hoard building. Also, they are planting native trees along Burrough's Creek including persimmons, paw-paw saplings, choke cherries.

Amanda Davis, president of the board of Just Foods spoke about this year's Food Truck Festival on May 2. This festival is the main fundraiser for Just Foods. Last year it raised over \$50K. 60% of their clients are from east of mass. The footprint of the festival will be different this year. 9th Street will remain open. 8th Street will be closed at New Jersey. Amanda asked for a letter of support from ELNA to the City Commissioners. Pam moved and Aaron seconded. Josh will write the letter.

Andrea Rapinsky invited us to participate in the Strategic Plan Review. This plan is reviewed every 2 years. There are several public meetings to review it. It can also be viewed online.

New secretary elections were discussed.

CDBG committee needs to meet to write the grant for funding. Phil, Hannah, Aaron and Barry will meet on February 11th at 2 to work on i

Joe Bickford spoke about the Santa Fe Depot. The city has now taken over marketing. Amtrak had its highest ridership last year. They are looking for volunteers to open for trains (late night, early morning).

Rebuilding East 9th Together: there are upcoming events detailed on the website.

There was a discussion about the Newsletter and its funding. Topics included making the newsletter smaller, more ads, increased delivery by walking. It has been some time since ad prices were increased. 2 ½ pages of ads pays for printing.

	Current	New
Sponsorship	\$150	\$160
½ page	\$120	\$130
¼ page	\$65	\$70
Card	\$25	\$30

10% discount given if purchasing an entire year. There are a number of other options to reduce costs including cheaper paper. It was moved (by S/O, N/D) and seconded by KT to increase the fee for ads. Motion passed.

KT and Phil talked about the Transportation multi modal meeting. City has hired a consulting team to look at traffic habits, etc. They are asking for a 20 mph speed limit in all neighborhoods.

Lawrence Loop by River: trying to get appeasement with BNSF. City is pursuing a path on Delaware which slices thru the park.

City is making it easier to get a Right of Way permit to neighborhood associations by reducing costs, lower insurance requirements and a simpler application process.

Coordinator: Yart Sale is March 28th.

Joe reminded us that the Kansas primary will be May 2.

East Lawrence Neighborhood Association

Meeting Agenda

Monday March 9th • 7:00pm-9:00pm Santa Fe Depot, 7th and New York Streets

1. Introductions - 2 min
2. Housekeeping Announcements - 2 min
3. Approvals 4 min
Agenda / Minutes -- Dec, Jan, Feb
REMINDER: CDBG qrt report: fill in meetings attended, esp BOARD
4. New business
 - a. Depot tour, request for volunteers -- 10 min
 - b. Nicki Proudfoot and Max Kautch, 800 Penn -- 15min
 - c. New secretary election - 10 min
 - d. Yart Sale! Mar 28th
5. Recurring Updates
 - a. Rebuilding East Ninth Together update -- 5 min
 - b. Newsletter funding status - 30 min
 - c. Monthly Burroughs Creek clean up - 3 min
 - d. Traffic Concerns -- 20 mph Speed Limit, stop sign at 8th and DE, at 8th and Conn
 - e. Krsnich development update -- *addressed above*
 - f. Lawrence Loop on the River update - 3min
6. Reports - 10 minutes
 - a. President -- absent
 - b. Vice-President
 - c. Treasurer -- absent
 - d. Coordinator -- Yart! *addressed above*
 - e. Committees - 10 min
 - i. Budget/ Fundraising -- new ad rates, goal of May June, Apr 15th
 - ii. Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods
 - iii. Planning Commission
 - iv. Historic Resources Commission
 - v. City Commission
 - vi. CDAC
 - vii. New York PTA/Site Council
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ELNA Minutes – March 9, 2020

Santa Fe Depot

Present: Pam Blackburn, Lane Eisenbart, Dave Loewenstein, Brenda Nuñez, Peggy Robinson, Hannah Sroor, KT Walsh, Frank Janzen, Nicolette Proudfoot, Eric Kirkendall, Vajra Robinson, Taj Heckler, Sacie Lambertson, Joe Bickford, Lisa Larsen.

Meeting called to order by KT Walsh. No minutes were available. As there was not a quorum, no votes will be taken.

City person Roger Steinbrock gave a history of the train depot and encouraged people to look around after the meeting. They are still looking for volunteers for welcoming arrivals. Trains come in very early morning and late at night.

Eric Kirkendall and Nicky Proudfoot spoke about the WAD development project and their concern over the tax incentives being asked.

Yart Sale is scheduled for March 28th from 8 am to 1 pm. Friday will be set up. Hangers, boxes and plastic (as in grocery) bags are needed.

Rebuilding East 9th together: Brenda has done an oral history interview of her early childhood time in East Lawrence. 3 people have volunteered their yards for the youth group's art box. Mona will be installing the panels on Dragon's Hoard soon. The panels will be on the 11th street side of the building and on the alley.

Newsletter funding status: there have been quite a few people volunteer to walk the newsletter. We will still have to decide if the number of issues will need to be reduced due to costs.

Hannah spoke about the Burrough's Creek cleanup on this coming Saturday. It will be from 10 until noon. Please meet at the shade structure at 15th and the trail. The April cleanup will be the 2nd Saturday of the month.

Peggy spoke about various traffic concerns in the neighborhood. The intersection of 8th & Connecticut seems to be a new collision point. Also, the intersection of 8th & Delaware has limited visibility. The City's Multi Modal Transportation Commission is studying ways to make all neighborhoods safer. A subcommittee was formed of Peggy and Pam to create a list of neighborhood needs to present to the Multi Model group. There are easy things that can be done. Peggy and Pam will also talk to the owner at Jungle House about her concerns and suggestions.

Lawrence Loop: only money available this year will be used to fix the hole in the dam by Abe & Jakes and the erosion. There will be a permanent road put in for this repair that will stay.

The property at 917 Delaware will be asking the Planning commission for a special use permit at the next meeting. They have reached an agreement with Allen Press to use their parking lot.

The HRC is discussing the Church at 13th & Mass as the county wants to demolish. This is currently on hold. The building is no longer structurally sound.

The meeting was adjourned.

East Lawrence Neighborhood Association

Meeting Agenda

Monday April 13th • 7:00pm-9:00pm Zoom Meeting Online

1. Introductions - 2 min
2. Housekeeping Announcements - 2 min
3. Approvals 4 min
Agenda / Minutes -- Dec, Jan, Feb, Mar
REMINDER: CDBG qrt report: fill in meetings attended, esp BOARD
4. New business
 - a. New secretary election - 10 min
 - b. Neighborhood Mutual Aid
 - c. Letter to commissions about retail standards -- Aaron
 - d. Letter of support to HRC for 715 New York St
 - e. Postcard and May June Newsletter discussion
5. Recurring Updates
 - a. Rebuilding East Ninth Together update -- 5 min
 - b. Newsletter funding status - 30 min
 - c. Traffic Concerns -- 20 mph Speed Limit, stop sign at 8th and DE, at 8th and Conn, 12th and Penn
 - d. Krsnich development update
 - e. Lawrence Loop on the River update
6. Reports - 10 minutes
 - a. President
 - b. Vice-President
 - c. Treasurer
 - d. Coordinator --
 - i. Yart Sale reschedule
 - ii. May June newsletter
 - e. Committees - 10 min
 - i. Budget/ Fundraising -- new ad rates, goal of May June, Apr 15th
 - ii. Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods
 - iii. Planning Commission
 - iv. Historic Resources Commission
 - v. City Commission
 - vi. CDAC
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ELNA Minutes- April 13, 2020

At home via Zoom

Present: Lane Eisenbart, Phil Collison, Pam Blackburn, Brenda Nuñez, Aaron Paden, Peggy Robinson, Hannah Sroor, Dave Lowenstein, Kelly Rodriguez, KT Walsh, Barry Shalinsky, Kaitlin Stanley, Boog Highberger

Meeting called to order by Phil Collison. Minutes from March were approved.

Everyone checked in with how they were doing during this time of isolation.

Food resources in the community that deliver to people's homes: Imperfect Foods, and Sunflower Provisions

Peggy moved to nominate Hannah as secretary, Pam seconded. Passed unanimously, and Hannah is now acting secretary

Neighborhood mutual aid committee was formed. It includes: Kaitlin, Dave, Boog

Phil suggested a letter of support for 715 New York to be added to HRC. Barry moved to write the letter, KT seconded, passed unanimously. Phil will write the letter.

Rebuilding East 9th together update: There is an extension for projects until August. Yarn it forward has put crochet kits together; you can find them at Sunrise's free shelf on their porch. Nick Carswell is still accepting stories about people's lives in East Lawrence. You can call his tell a story message line at 785-330-5099. 901 Penn was selected for the art box. If folks are still collecting plastic for artist Jude Black, student at Bishop Seabury, email Phil and he will organize a time to pick up items.

Traffic committee report: The tree obstructing the stop sign at the intersection of 8th and Connecticut on the west side was cut down, you can now see the stop sign much better. 12th and Penn could use a stop sign going north and south, creating a four way stop now that there is more traffic with the hair salon.

Tax incentives being asked for by the Krsnich development will be voted on by City Commission at their meeting tomorrow night 4/14/20.

Lawrence Loop- Discussed connecting the Loop to have it serve more of a commuting vs. recreational purpose. Jake Baldwin is the new sidewalk coordinator; members should reach out to him with ideas or input.

President's report: have been practicing zoom, will have CDBG quarterly report at the end of the month

Vice president's report: nada

Treasurer's report: \$1400 in bank account. This is low compared to other years at this time. Likely due to the Yart Sale being postponed

Coordinator report: Rescheduling Yart Sale, and postponing the newsletter until we know what the stay at home order looks like going forward.

Phil motions to create a postcard with a budget of under \$250 to be ready to go by April 19th if the stay at home order is extended. KT seconds it, and it passed. Hannah, Lane, Aaron, Barry, Kaitlin and Phil will serve on the committee to put this together.

The meeting was adjourned. At 8:56 pm

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March 2020



ELNA General Meeting Santa Fe Depot 7th and New York March 9 • 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/)

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From the President

Greetings from East Lawrence, where spring is right around the corner. What wild weather will be in store for us this Spring?! The MLK Chili Feed was a big success. Thanks for donating desserts and vegetarian chili. We signed up a few new members and sold a few hoodies. Speaking of ELNA gear, now is a good time to get yourself some new ELNA gear. Our merch will be for sale at this year's YART Sale, which is always on the 4th Saturday in March, this year on the 28th. Watch for details elsewhere in this newsletter about how you can participate in the Yart Sale, our biggest fundraiser of the year.

It may not be very noticeable, but our newsletter is undergoing some changes. It probably looks just the same to you. Our newsletter costs a whole lot to produce. Yes, it is mostly produced by volunteers, but in order to get it printed and delivered it takes money. We have updated our ad prices (which are really inexpensive considering we send our newsletter to 1200 homes in the neighborhood as well as 100 or so more out of neighborhood members). Revenue from increased advertising will go directly to the cost of production. We are also organizing a group to do hand delivery of our newsletter. Watch for how you help with that delivery. Selling ads and walking the newsletter could cut our costs in half! And that's the goal. For the record, the ads that we sell do not reflect endorsement on our part, and we'll accept all ads.

Our biggest asset in our neighborhood is you. Make your voice heard. There are big changes coming in the neighborhood that impact our quality of life. Because our regular 2nd Monday of the month meeting date falls during Spring Break, and our usual New York School is closed, we'll be meeting at the newly remodeled Santa Fe Depot at 7th and New York Streets. It's a beautiful remodel. Come check it out!

At the very least, see you at the YART Sale March 28th!



Burroughs Creek Trail Clean Up Effort

Greetings from a fellow East Lawrencian, and lover of the outdoors!

One of my absolute favorite places in Lawrence is the Burrough's Creek and Trail. This is probably due to the fact I walk along it at least once every day, sometimes more! As I have become well acquainted with it, I have been lucky enough to see the diverse range of wildlife that calls this creek home.

For a while now I have felt compelled to help keep it beautiful and wild through picking up trash in the area. I have done this a few times now and felt like it might be something others were interested in as well! I know there have been great efforts in the past years to help beautify and preserve the area, but feel that a more regular clean up could be greatly beneficial.

My plan is to go out every second Saturday of the month for 2-3 hours with whoever wants to join, and pick up trash. I would encourage anyone interested to bring their own work gloves, and trash bags.

So keep an eye on the ELNA Facebook page for future clean up dates.

Kind regards, Hannah Sroor, 12th Street neighbor and ELNA Board member

Almost Time for the 2020 Census!

Counting College Students

Between March 12 and 20, every Lawrence household will receive a mailed invitation to participate in the 2020 Census.

Lawrence — and all of Douglas County — has been designated as an area where residents are likely to respond online. Because of this, the first letter area residents will receive from the U.S. Census Bureau will invite them to complete the Census questionnaire either online or by phone. Instructions will be provided in that first letter.

The Census Bureau has set up a schedule of reminders they will mail during the following dates to ensure everyone remembers to self-respond:

March 12 - 20: Everyone receives an invitation to respond to the Census

March 16 - 24: A reminder letter

For those who haven't yet responded, the Census Bureau will send the following:

March 26 - April 3: A reminder postcard

April 8 - 16: A reminder letter and paper questionnaire will be sent to all those who have not yet responded online or via phone; paper questionnaires must be mailed back to the Census Bureau

April 20 - 27: A final reminder postcard

If the Census Bureau has not received a self-response by the end of April, they will designate the household for in-person followup. Enumerators (the Census workers who follow up in person) will begin visiting Lawrence residences in May.

Beyond ensuring everyone responds to the 2020 Census, a big emphasis will be making sure all responders accurately represent their household.

Every household will receive one invitation to participate. In Lawrence, a significant portion of the population is renters. If you are a renter who shares an apartment with roommates, all roommates should be included on one Census response representing the address where you live.

City Offers Loan Program for Emergency Repairs

Emergency & Furnace Loans for income-qualified Lawrence homeowners

The City offers an emergency loan program that can provide up to \$5,000 for emergency repairs that either eliminate immediate hazards to health and safety or repair damage to a structure likely to cause health and safety hazards. Additionally, the City offers a furnace loan program, which can provide up to \$5,000 for the replacement or addition of an existing heating and/or cooling source with approved energy-efficient appliances.

Both programs require a zero interest, zero payment mortgage to be placed on the property. The loan amount is due in full when the applicant is no longer the owner/occupant. Please contact the City of Lawrence Community Development staff at (785) 832-7700 for additional terms and conditions, or visit lawrenceks.org/pds/housing_programs to download an application.

(Please note: All Census data will remain private and cannot be shared with landlords or other agencies.)

If you are eighteen-years-old or older, you will complete your own Census form based on where you live on April 1, 2020. You should not be included with your parents if you do not live with them on that date.

The Census will ask 10 questions and takes approximately ten minutes per person to respond. The questions are: name, phone number, age, sex, race, hispanic origin, relationship to householder, household tenure (own/rent), number of people in the household, and usual place of residence. The 2020 Census will NOT ask about citizenship.

While the law requires respondents to answer all census questions accurately, an incomplete returned census form will still be counted. Even if you are uncomfortable answering some of the questions, please submit as much as you can so that you are counted toward Lawrence and Douglas County population totals.

Being counted in Lawrence and Douglas County is extremely important for our community. Census counts are used to distribute more than \$6 billion in federal funds every year in Kansas, which translates to \$2,082 per person per year. The money helps fund a variety of initiatives, including school lunch programs, Head Start programs, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, and Community Development Block Grants.

More information on the 2020 Census is on our website (lawrenceks.org/census) and can also be found on the state's Kansas Counts website: kansascounts.org

City of Lawrence Contacts Snip out this handy guide for an easy reference to City of Lawrence phone numbers.

City info available online at lawrenceks.org and on cable Channel 25. The FLAME is published by the City Manager's Office. 832-3400.

Donate a LMCMS Yearbook

Each year, Liberty Memorial Central Middle School has some families who are not financially able to purchase a yearbook for their students. This year, LMCMS has provided an opportunity for community members to anonymously purchase a yearbook for a student who may not receive a yearbook otherwise.

To purchase a yearbook for a student, go to

<https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/>

Enter Liberty Memorial Central Middle Schools number, 3593

Select "buy a yearbook"

Enter the number of yearbooks you'd like to purchase

Select "buy this item for a student"

When asked to enter "student name", enter the last name "student" and first name "LMCMS"

Then complete your online purchase.

LMCMS Vice Principal Leffert will work directly with the yearbook sponsor and social services team to ensure the yearbook is then given to a student who needs one.

Thank you!

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 28th, 8am-1pm, 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.

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. 27th, 5:30-9pm), take down/clean up (Saturday, Mar 28th @ ~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.

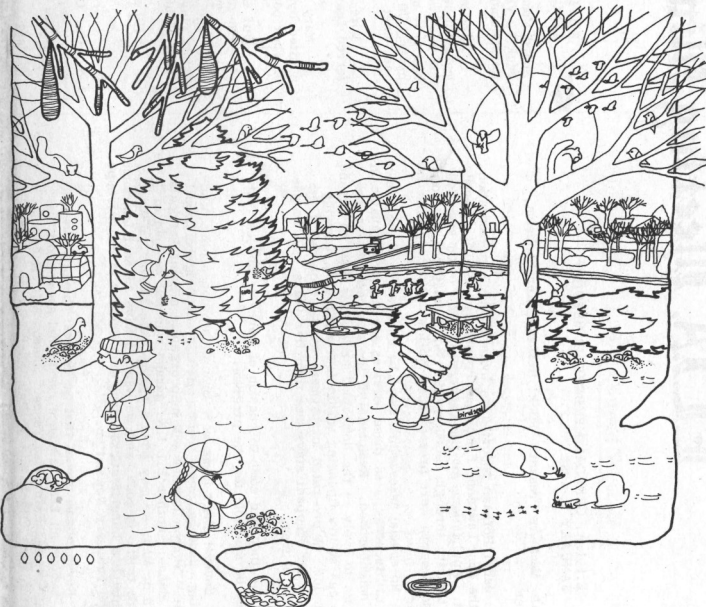
Play Your Music – Are you a musician looking for a venue? Playing for your neighbors at the YART Sale is nice and chill, and it may be just the place for you to make some beautiful music. Email us if you're interested!

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!



Memories of a Withering Winter



A golden oldie, literally. Here's the the front page of the East Lawrence News from February 1984. There was a co-op grocery store at 12th and New York. The City of Lawrence was about to hold a lottery for a handful of properties in the northern portion of the neighborhood. ELNAns were trying to get Community Development funds to keep ELNAing, and neighbors were trying to save a few houses from demolition. You can read the whole newsletter, in all it's yellowed newsprint glory on the ELNA website at <http://www.eastlawrence.com/about-us/historic-information/>.

← Thanks to Barry Shalinsky for access to his archive.

NYE Community Meals

New York Elementary, 936 New York Street, invites your family to join a new tradition. We are hoping to provide one event each month to help foster school and family relationships.

Dates for Community Meals

Tuesday, Mar. 24th , 5-6pm (also our 4/5 Music Performance)

Friday, April 17th, 5-6pm (also our PTA Party and School Dance)

Wednesday, May 20th, 11-12:30pm (Our Annual School Cookout)

All are welcome! Main dish provided by Student Leaders and community elders.

THE DRAGON'S HOARD GAMES AND HOBBIES



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Come and join us for a game!

History of LAN

The Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods (LAN) was formed 33 years ago, on January 29 (Kansas Day), by our Old West Lawrence neighbor Steve Lopes, East Lawrence Neighbor Barry Shalinsky, and others who wanted the neighborhoods to have a strong voice in City decision-making. Prior to that, the City often ignored the wishes of the residents of the historic neighborhoods of Lawrence and neighborhoods fought each other.

Many of those in power did not want the neighborhood associations to have that voice, but the founders of LAN were successful. The group, of which OWL and ELNA remain members, has been a strong voice for the neighborhoods for decades, and now is a must attend meeting for Lawrence City Commissioners, with one or more commissioners always in attendance.

Topics on which LAN was briefed and had input last year included Opportunity Zones, the Downtown Master Plan, Short Term Rentals, Affordable Housing, Plan 2040, the 19th Street project, and the Fiscal Impact Study. No doubt much more will happen this year.

The LAN board meets from 7 - 9 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month at the Lawrence Public Library. The meetings are open to all Lawrence residents, who are welcome to ask questions and join in conversations. For more information, visit the LAN website at <https://lawrenceneighborhoods.wordpress.com/>

Eric Kirkendall, Old West Lawrence Neighborhood Association President, OWL Newsletter January 2020

If you are a registered Democrat,
watch your mailbox in March for
information about the

**Kansas Democratic
Presidential Primary
May 2nd 2020**

kansasdems.org/2020primary

News from the Sunrise Project

Sunrise Project welcomes everyone to our monthly community meals! What can you expect at a Sunrise community meal?

GOOD food! We make high quality, home cooked meals.

A welcoming, inclusive environment - all are welcome! Connection! The simple act of eating a shared meal connects us.

Donations accepted but never required.

Upcoming dates: March 16, 5-7 p.m. (enchiladas) and March 29 12-2p.m. International community meal featuring dishes from around the globe. Vegan options available at each meal.

Join us for our second annual Dig In! event on March 29, 12-3 p.m with food, garden planting and community connections! This event will feature an international community meal. In addition to "digging in" to some good food, we will dig in the community garden! Help plant some early spring crops! And share your ideas for our summer garden!

Mark your calendar for Sunrise Project's annual spring plant sale fundraisers!

April 18, 9am to 2 pm

April 25 & April 26, 9am to 2pm

We will have native plants, kale, lettuce, herbs, collards, broccoli, annual flowers, variety of heirloom tomatoes, peppers, tomatillos and more! All proceeds fuel our programs! Follow us on Facebook for updates!



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Seventh Annual Kansas Food Truck Festival to Benefit Just Food

Just Food will again this year host a major public outdoor event in East Lawrence, attracting food, music, and art lovers to the area.

The Seventh Annual Kansas Food Truck Festival is set for May 2nd, 2020 from 4pm to 10pm.

This family-friendly event will benefit Just Food, the Douglas County Food Bank. Just Food's mission is to end hunger in our community by increasing access to healthy foods, reducing barriers to health and well-being, and cultivating self-sufficiency. Annually, the organization provides access to healthy food for 13,000 residents and offers programming like Just Cook to teach people how to cook healthy meals all under \$2 a serving. Last year the Kansas Food Truck Festival raised over \$60,000 for Just Food making it one of the organization's largest annual fundraisers. The funds raised provided healthy food for the 19,000 Douglas County residents who are at risk of hunger.

The event will be returning in 2020 with 30+ food trucks featuring food from around the world and an expanded lineup of live entertainment. After the event sold out in 2019, over 5,000 individuals are anticipated to attend. Entertainment will include family friendly activities such as face painting and a bouncy house, KU kids' fun zone, Hoop Mamas, as well as live street performers from the Lawrence Busker Festival and live musical performances by local musicians.

Neighbors will notice that the footprint of the festival is slightly altered this year, (See Map) shifting north of 9th Street, with no closures on 9th Street, and centering on the 800 blocks of Pennsylvania and Delaware streets. Residents of the Poehler building will have limited mobility, but event organizers are in contact with Poehler residents and will make accommodations. Residents with any parking or traffic concerns are invited to contact Elizabeth Keever, email ekeever@justfoodks.org, to find solutions. To learn more about the festival – food trucks attending, entertainment, volunteer opportunities and more – visit <http://www.ksfoodtruckfest.com/>

Tickets, \$10 each, kids under 12 free, will be available online

<http://www.ksfoodtruckfest.com/> or at The Granada Box Office.



ELNA Meetings 2020

The ELNA Board meets on the second Monday of each month, unless we must reschedule due to a holiday. During the school year, we meet at New York School, 936 New York St, in the library. During the summer months, when the school is closed, we usually meet at the Delaware Street Commons common house, 1222 Delaware St. We meet from 7-9pm.

Here's a list of dates for the new year.

MONDAYS March 9th, April 13th, May 11th, June 8th, July 13th, August 10th, September 14th, October 12th, November 9th, December 14th. But don't forget, we'll meet at the Santa Fe Depot in March!

And please make note of these yearly events as well: YART Sale in March, Block Party in September, Board declarations in October, and Annual Meeting and Board Elections in November.

One More Thing! The agenda for each month can always be viewed, as it is known and updated, here: <http://www.eastlawrence.com/meetings/>

E9th Update

There are only four months remaining in the Rebuilding East Ninth Together project! Can you believe it? It's been a wild ride, to say the least, but we've almost done it. *Together* As the artists wrap up their projects, you'll be seeing A LOT of events and calls for participation. To get the quickest, most up-to-date information be sure to subscribe to the Rebuilding East Ninth Together newsletter at <https://www.rebuildingeastninth.com/>. We'll update information there as we have it. In the meantime, here's what we know about what's happening on East Ninth.

Calendar

3/1 Sunday: Yarn It Forward projects continued! Every Sunday through March 22nd. Newcomers & all ages welcome. 2-4pm, Lawrence Arts Center, 940 New Hampshire

3/14 Saturday: Natives Now portrait projection, 8th & Delaware 8:30pm-10pm

3/8 Sunday: Yarn It Forward projects continued! Every Sunday through March 22nd. Newcomers & all ages welcome. 2-4pm, Lawrence Arts Center, 940 New Hampshire

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3/27 MARCH FINAL FRIDAY: Natives Now portrait projection, A-1 automotive 8:30pm-10:00pm

3/28 & 29 Saturday and Sunday: Natives Now mural panels installed at Dragon's Hoard at 11th and Pennsylvania!

4/11 Saturday:

Natives Now portrait projection, Burroughs Creek Park, Kaw Pavilion 9pm-10:30pm

Wild East Lawrence Walk with naturalist Ken Lassman, 2-3:30pm, meet by the gazebo at South Park

4/18 & 19 Saturday and Sunday: Natives Now planting of indigenous fruit trees at Burroughs Creek Trail, 12th & Oregon, noon-4pm. There will be a half hour educational event at Noon on the 18th by presenter Ed Smith, advocate for indigenous food sovereignty, with a tree blessing on the 19th at noon.

4/24 APRIL FINAL FRIDAY:

Natives Now portrait projection, Burroughs Creek Park, Kaw Pavilion 9pm-10:30pm

East Lawrence Family Tree -- potluck and display of portraits at Art Emergency, 721 E 9th St

4/25 Saturday: "Traqueros" dance performance choreographed by James Moreno, time TBD, at the Amtrak Depot, 413 E 7th St

5/2 Saturday: "Shake It Off" dance performance by Jahna Sabilla, youth corps, and her dance crew. Two performances at 10am and Noon, free, in conjunction with LAC's Free Family Event, at the Lawrence Arts Center.

5/10 Sunday: Songs and Stories of East Lawrence Book Launch Concert, 2-4pm @ the Cider Gallery

5/16 Saturday: Natives Now portrait projection, Hobbs Park, Murphy-Bromelsick House 9:30pm-10:30pm

5/29 MAY FINAL FRIDAY:

Natives Now portrait projection, Hobbs Park, Murphy-Bromelsick House 9:30pm-10:30pm

Wishing Bench Film Screenings at the Wishing Bench on 9th and Delaware, at 7 or 8pm

Art Box by Hang 12 opening event, community potluck, location tbd

Notes from the Artists

• Natives Now -- Mona Cliff

We are also looking for volunteers to help install panels on the Dragon's Hoard building March 28th & 29th, if you would like to volunteer please reach out to Mona Cliff at jona-mane77@gmail.com we require persons with some general handy-person experience as we will be installing a somewhat heavy cement board onto the building.

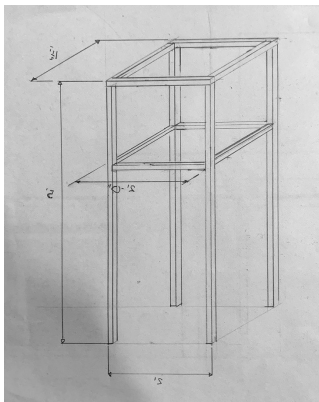
All projection locations are subject to change due to weather. Follow NativesNOW on instagram for the latest!

• Apotheosis -- Jude Black, Youth Corps

I Want Your Bad Plastic! Did you know that some plastic items can't be recycled easily?

Many of these plastics are smaller than 2 inches and include things like: pill bottles and lids, soda bottle caps, straws, plastic utensils, liquid detergent lids, toothbrushes, etc. Instead of throwing these items in the trash, please bring them to fill up my bin. You'll be helping me, Jude Black, collect materials for a sculpture AND you'll be preserving the environment at the same time. Bins are located at New York Elementary and the Lawrence Arts Center at this time. Collection ends March 31st, 2020 THANK YOU!

• Art Box -- Hang 12, Youth Corps



Our team has put together plans for a project to bring art and community to the East Lawrence area through the creation of an Art Box! This concept is similar to the Free Libraries which can be seen all around town, but with the idea of trading art rather than books. Community members can place their art in the secure box while walking by, and take home some art

of someone else's. Our hope is that this could help to put artists in contact with other artists, and overall encourage people to share their creativity, and ideas.

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E9th Update *continued*

Hang12 now needs YOUR help to find locations! Anyone who owns yard space in East Lawrence (preferably close to a sidewalk or busier street) is encouraged to reach out!

Interested parties can contact Hang12 via email at hang12collective@gmail.com. All applicants should submit their location by Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020. We will be contacting the selected application on Tuesday, March 10th, 2020 and we will set up a meeting time, so you can meet the group! The ArtBox will have an opening on the Final Friday of March, which is the 27th. It will be quite a community driven opening, and we would love for you to be as involved as you like! We are excited to get your email!

• Kent Smith and Mike Riggs Sculpture

What do you want to see a sculpture of in East Lawrence? Mike and Kent want to hear from you! You can find their sculpture survey online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WWRDJXH>

Easy Ways To Give To ELNA

Metal Recycling

You can take your metal recycling to the Recycling Yard on East 11th. Just tell them it's for ELNA, and they'll mail a check to our Treasurer once a month! Aluminum, copper, and car batteries are worth the effort!

Lifetime Memberships

Did you know you can become a lifetime member of ELNA? No more yearly membership renewal hassle for you! Businesses and Individuals can become lifetime members -- \$100 for an individual or non-profit, \$200 for in neighborhood businesses, and \$250 for out of neighborhood businesses. Just fill out the membership form on the back page of this newsletter.

Place an Ad

The East Lawrence News is published bi-monthly in odd months. Over 1200 copies are printed and distributed to over 1000 East Lawrence homes, several local businesses, and mailed to associate members far and wide. We have special rates for ELNA members! An ELNA member can place a business card sized ad for six issues, for as little as \$135. A single member business card ad is just \$25! Email the ELNA Coordinator, Lane, for full details.

Buy Merchandise

Brave Merch Captain KT and her tubs o' merch will be at the ELNA YART Sale Saturday March 28th, and she usually hauls them out for ELNA meetings too! We've got coozies, tshirts, hoodies, stickers, and wee baby wear too!

Help Hand Deliver the Newsletter

Did you make a new years challenge to get out and stretch your legs more? Interested in seeing more of your neighborhood? Email Kaitlin (kaitstanley@gmail.com) if you'd like to help us deliver the next ELNA newsletter. The physical newsletter is essential so that all of our neighbors, regardless of access to the internet, have a chance to stay up-to-date with what's happening in their neck-of-the-woods. Thank you!

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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. Support us. Let us support you.

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

Name: _____ Date: _____

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- ☐ 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 newsletter) email list.

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- ___ 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: _____

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