

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

Pinckney Neighborhood Association

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Date:

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Each Neighborhood is required to have at least quarterly meetings.	Meeting Date #1	<u>August 17, 2013</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>yes</u>
	Meeting Date #2	<u>September 21, 2013</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>minutes unavailable / agenda attached</u>
	Meeting Date #3	<u>October 19, 2013</u>	Minutes Attached?	<u>yes</u>

How was the neighborhood notified of the meeting(s)? (check all that apply)	email	<u>email list with over 100 recipients</u>
	newsletter	<u>August 2013 newsletter & October 2013 EDD Postcard</u>
	other announcement? (please specify)	<u>Website blog & Facebook post</u>

Officer elections this quarter? (if so, attach list of new officers)	No
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Each Neighborhood is encouraged to produce regular newsletters.	Date of Newsletter:	<u>August 2013 newsletter & October 2013 EDD Postcard</u>
	Copy Attached?	<u>yes</u>

Also to be attached:

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

Date	Activity	No. Attending	Notice Method
Aug. 2013	PNA Newsletter	Sent to over 1500 recipients	US mail; posted on PNA website
8/1/2013	LAN meeting	1	NA

8/17/2013	Monthly PNA meeting		Newsletter; Email list; PNA website blog post; PNA Facebook page
9/5/2013	LAN meeting	0	NA
9/19/2013	Meeting with KU Rowing Team manager regarding Regatta at Burcham Park	1	Email from KU Rowing Team manager to PNA Pres.
9/21/2013	Monthly PNA meeting:		Newsletter; Email list; PNA website blog post; PNA Facebook page
Oct. 2013	PNA EDD Postcard	Sent to over 1500 recipients	US mail; posted on PNA website
10/3/2013	LAN meeting	2	NA
10/12/2013	Pinckney Parks Cleanup	18	Newsletter; Email list; PNA website blog post; PNA Facebook page
10/19/2013	Monthly PNA meeting:		EDD Postcard; Email list; PNA website blog post; PNA Facebook page
10/26/2013	Trunk-or-Treat & Food Drive	19 Trunks/Activities; 75 kids; 50 adults	EDD Postcard; Email list; PNA website blog post; PNA Facebook page

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

Use of integrated website and facebook posts have increased the visibility of PNA and increased general participation at meeting and activities. Facebook posts are easily shared between friends/neighbors.

Pinckney has used Every Door Delivery (EDD) mail for postcards on our two major social /service events - the Fall Trunk-or-Treat & Food Drive and the Summer Potluck Picnic & "Share the Warmth" Coat Drive. The EDD mailing has specific requirements for size, but it saves money and ensures that every residence in the neighborhood receives the mailing.

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

PNA added about 16 new Facebook members in this quarter.

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Regular Meeting of August 17, 2013

Persons Present: Pat Miller, Jim Miller, Kim Heck, Ashlee Jacobson, Matt Jacobson

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved

OLD BUSINESS:

- Newsletter will be sent week of August 19
- Tax ID number acquired. PNA continues to consider nonprofit tax status.
- Parks cleanup is scheduled for Oct 12
- Trunk or Treat & food drive is scheduled for October 26.

LAWRENCE ASSOCIATION OF NEIGHBORHOODS REPORT: None

OLD BUSINESS:

- Guest Phillip Clesielski, City of Lawrence Utilities Department, spoke to the group about Kaw water treatment plant transmission main and intake project, planned for November 2013 in Burcham Park. Written summaries were made available for individual members of the group.
- Neighborhood Gardening Group: Ashley Jacobson spoke..

NEW BUSINESS:

None

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00. The next scheduled meeting is September 21, 2013.

HARRY MILLER
Secretary



PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

PO Box 125 Lawrence Kansas 66044

August 2013 Newsletter

Trunk-or-Treat & Food Drive Set for Saturday October 26th

Love Halloween, even if you have children who are too old to trick or treat? The Pinckney Neighborhood Association needs you to help make Trunk-or-Treat a success on Saturday Oct. 26. The lot will open for set-up at 3 p.m.; Trunk-or-Treat runs from 4 to 6 p.m. We provide a very safe environment for young trick-or-treaters to come on a Saturday afternoon to play games, win prizes and get candy! It is easy to participate. Just decorate your trunk or set up a table or booth, don a costume, and create a fun "trick" or game for the kids. Be sure to have trinkets, stickers, candy or other handouts for our young guests. A postcard to be sent out in early October will provide more details, including the location for this year's event.

PNA also uses this as a food-raiser for Just Foods Douglas County, the area's food bank. We ask all who participate to bring a non-perishable food items to add to the food bank. Just Foods needs high protein canned goods to help families in need provide nutritious food at home. Please help by participating. Look for more information in early October.

Upcoming Neighborhood Meetings & Events

August 17 – PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00 a.m. @ Lawrence Memorial Hospital (lower level)

September 21 – PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00 a.m. @ Lawrence Memorial Hospital (lower level)

October 12 – Pinckney Parks Clean-up Day

9:30 am @ Clinton, Constant & Woody Parks
Meet back at Clinton Park @ 10:45 for refreshments

October 19 – PNA Monthly Meeting

10:00 a.m. @ Lawrence Memorial Hospital (lower level)
Topics: Prep for Trunk-or-Treat & Food Drive

October 26 – Trunk-or-Treat & Food Drive

(recommended donation of 1 food item per person)
3:00 p.m. set-up / 4:00 to 6:00 pm Trunk-or-Treat
(Location to be announced in early October)

Pinckney Potluck Picnic

Another Community Building Success

The Pinckney Neighborhood Potluck Picnic was held on a lovely day in June, with over 100 in attendance and lots and lots of food and fun to go around. Photos from the picnic are on the PNA website. Thanks to everyone for showing up and pitching in where ever needed to make the event go smoothly. PNA holds events like these not only to have a great time, but to also help folks from across our large neighborhood meet one another and make connections. In addition to having fun, we also collected good used coats and jackets. We had about a whole trunk full of donations to drop off at Scotch Cleaners for their "Share the Warmth" campaign. Scotch will clean the donated items and distribute them to people in need this fall. Thanks to all who participated in this community service project.

There are many people to thank for the success of the picnic – here are just a few of the over achievers: Lance Fahy for once again singing and playing guitar – awesome as usual!; the Walker family for providing hotdogs and buns; Health Care Access for free blood pressure checkups; Girl Scout Troup #7733 and Leader Anne Kohl for the ball toss game; Jim Miller for minding the grill all afternoon; Jennifer Unekis for face painting; David Unekis for photography; Lydia Miller for the arts & crafts table; and Asher Supernaw for being a student volunteer helping out with a little bit of everything. Many, many more pitched in – our thanks to all of you!

A number of local businesses also provided support for the picnic and to support PNA's work. Thanks to them all! Anderson Rental; Dillon's; Checkers; Fast Lane/Phillips 66; Lawrence Memorial Hospital; Liberty Tax Service; Medical Arts Pharmacy; and Harry Miller Piano Service.

The best way to ensure our neighborhood remains a vibrant and safe place to live is to work together to make it that way. If you enjoyed the picnic or any of our other events, please join us at one of our monthly meeting (third Saturday of each month at 10:00 am unless otherwise announced). You can also visit the PNA website and join the PNA facebook page to get the latest info.

City Working on Trails between Burcham & Constant Parks

Rowan Green with the Lawrence Parks and Recreation informed PNA that the City will be working on the trail along the river that runs between Burcham and Constant Park. The work will be starting soon and will likely be completed in late summer to fall. At one time there were two foot bridges on that trail. Then a few years ago, one of the bridges was replaced with tubes.

In the near future, the City plans to replace the remaining foot bridge with tubes and as part of this project and will need to widen the trail enough to get the equipment in to this location. This will also give them the opportunity to better maintain the trail. It will also allow the Forestry equipment to get up and down the trail to take care of large trees that have dead hanging branches etc.

The City does not intend to remove any large trees but rather will be removing small underbrush and volunteer growth, just enough to create space to get the equipment in to replace the bridge and then be able to maintain the trail. The City may also at some point add an aggregate surface and then perhaps bring the end of the trail up to where it would connect to the wide path in Constant Park.

Work at Water Treatment Plant Scheduled for Winter Months

The City's Department of Utilities informed PNA that starting in about November there will be some major working occurring on North Indian between 3rd and 2nd Streets, inside Burcham Park, north of the park, and across the river. The City will keep PNA informed of the progress and we will provide updates on the PNA website (www.pinckneyneighborhood.org). The work will include a brief closure of Burcham Park to vehicular traffic. The City will make an effort to minimize the impact of the work on the neighborhood and users of the park. The work to be performed includes construction of a new water intake, removal of two nonfunctioning water intake structures, and construction of a new line across the river to serve the east side of town.

Got Questions?

Is there someone or something you would like to know more about in Lawrence? Please let us know what's on your mind and we'll do our best to find the answers and/or invite guest speakers to attend a PNA meeting. Attend a PNA monthly meeting, call one of the contacts listed on the back of this newsletter or email us: Pinckney.Neighborhood@gmail.com

Volunteers Needed for Multi-city Bicycle & Pedestrian Counts

Lawrence, Eudora and Baldwin City need volunteers to manually count bicycles and pedestrians at several locations across in each city next month. The Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Organization, the City of Lawrence, Eudora and Baldwin City will be conducting bicycle and pedestrian counts on Wednesday, September 11 & 12 from 10:00 a.m. to noon and from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and also on Saturday, September 7, 14, 21, & 28 from noon to 2:00 p.m. Those interested in volunteering for one or all of the scheduled count times are required to attend one of the following training sessions:

Lawrence, Kansas - Lawrence City Commission Room

-Monday, August 26, Noon – 1:00 p.m.

-Tuesday, September 29, 5:30- 6:30 p.m.

Eudora, Kansas - Parks & Recreation Community Room

-Thursday, September 5, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Baldwin City, Kansas – Baldwin Public Library

-Wednesday, August 28, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Volunteers will be taught the National Bicycle and Pedestrian Documentation Project method created by Alta Planning and Design and the Institute of Transportation Engineers. Volunteers trained in previous years are not required to attend the training again this year.

Data collected on bicycling and walking will assist city and regional leaders in estimating usage and demand for bicycle and pedestrian facilities. The counts will also be used to track the region's progress on increasing the use of non-motorized transportation, strengthen grant applications to leverage additional federal funding for bicycle and pedestrian projects, evaluate existing projects, and help determine the location of future investments.

To sign up visit: www.lawrenceks.org/mpo/volunteer

For more information contact:

Jessica Mortinger, transportation planner

785-832-3165 or jmortinger@lawrenceks.org

**SCHOOLS ARE BACK IN SESSION IN
MID-AUGUST. REMEMBER TO
WATCH FOR KIDS WHEN DRIVING
IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD!**

Get Active in Your Neighborhood! Get Active in PNA!

If you live in the Pinckney Neighborhood, you are a member of PNA.
Now is the time to become an ACTIVE member!

Name(s): _____

Address: _____ Apt.# _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

(Join the list to receive e-mail notices before monthly PNA meetings and special events.
We will keep your information private. Expect 1 or 2 e-mails per month.)

Participation and membership in PNA is free – but annual donations of at least \$1 per person, or \$2 per household, are suggested and greatly appreciated.

Please bring this form to the next PNA monthly meeting or mail it to:

Pinckney Neighborhood Association, PO Box 125, Lawrence, KS 66044

PNA Volunteers Needed!

Please volunteer to participate. We need people of all ages with skills or interest in:

- ___ School & Student Connections
- ___ Media: Newsletter, Photography, Website, Facebook
- ___ Fundraising and/or Advertising
- ___ Neighborhood Social Event Organizing
- ___ Nature, Gardening, Environment and/or Sustainability
- ___ Local History / Historic Preservation
- ___ Sidewalks, Traffic, and Infrastructure
- ___ Music, Art, Crafts
- ___ Community Service Projects
- ___ Parks Clean-up Day Volunteer
- ___ Other: _____

Bert Nash Expansion:

Possible ADA Compliant Walking Trail

Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center has many plans for improving the VFW property it recently purchased north of 2nd Street in the Pinckney Neighborhood. Under consideration are possible amenities to share with the community such as a 1/2 mile nature trail that is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act – including features such as a wide trail that is accessible to wheelchairs, walkers, etc. The organization Outside for a Better Inside is a local not-for-profit group that promotes health by encouraging children to spend time outdoors. Outside for a Better Inside is working on raising funds to support building the new nature trail. For more information contact Melinda Toumi at 785-979-2477 or melindatoumi@gmail.com.

New Pinckney Neighborhood Gardening Group – Open to All

Ever wonder how your neighbors grow such great flowers or beautiful vegetables? Enjoy gardening and wish you had someone to share your passion with? Have too much zucchini and wish you could swap some for a bit of kale? If you answered yes to any of these questions, the newly sprouted Pinckney Neighborhood Gardening Group is for you!

The Pinckney Neighborhood Gardening Group was created as a way for fellow gardeners to come together and share anything and everything gardening. Besides working as a discussion board, we hope to gather enough of a following so that we can help work towards establishing a community garden in the Pinckney Neighborhood in the future.

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So far, we're a simple collection of people from the neighborhood interested in gardening who have "joined" a Facebook group to start exploring how this gardening community might work. Ashlee Jacobson and Norma Pierce have volunteered to head-up the group and get things started. We're very interested in your ideas. If you use Facebook, please join "Pinckney Neighborhood Gardening Group." If you're not on Facebook please send a note to PNA at PO Box 125, Lawrence, KS 66044 or send an email message to:

Pinckney.Neighborhood@gmail.com



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Lawrence, Kansas 66044

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Pinckney Neighborhood Parks Clean-up Saturday, Oct 12th at 9:30 am

Plan on spending a few hours on the morning of Saturday October 12 helping to clean up our neighborhood parks. The Pinckney neighborhood is very fortunate to have several wonderful parks to enjoy. Please join your neighbors at Constant Park (5th & Tennessee), Clinton Park (5th & Maine), Woody Park (3rd & Maine) or the Hugh Cameron Memorial Ravine (5th & Indiana) starting at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday October 12th for a brisk walk with a trash sack! We usually also clean up Burcham Park, but this year the city will be doing some construction in and near the park. At about 10:45, we'll meet back at Clinton Park for refreshments.

The city furnishes us trash bags. All you need are gloves and good walking shoes and maybe a water bottle. Help us keep our parks user-friendly by participating in this clean-up. You can also help year-around by picking up trash as you walk through the neighborhood or take your dogs for a walk.

PNA Contact Information

Website: www.pinckneyneighborhood.org
Subscribe to a periodic news bulletin on the PNA website

E-mail: Pinckney.Neighborhood@gmail.com

Facebook: "Pinckney Neighborhood Association"

Officers:

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Pinckney Neighborhood Association Meeting
September 21, 2013 10:00 am
Lawrence Memorial Hospital, Room D South

Call to Order

Approval of Agenda

Review/Approval of Minutes

Treasurer's Report

LAN Rep. Report

Old Business

Fall Events:

-Parks Clean-up - Oct. 12

-Trunk-or-Treat & Food Drive

New Business

KU Rowing Team Regatta - Sunday Oct. 20

Outside for a Better Inside

Pinckney Gardening Group

Adjourn

PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Minutes of Regular Meeting of October 19, 2013

Persons Present: Harry Miller, Paul Liechti, Melinda Toumi, Anne Shaw, Pat Miller, Jim Miller

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Current Balance: 2,496.53

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods (LAN) report: None given as neither member representative was present.

OLD BUSINESS:

KU Rowing Team Regatta, scheduled for Sunday October 20: Volunteers were solicited to work the VFW parking lot during the event.

Trunk or Treat/Just Food Drive: Discussed division of labor for event preparation and prepared yard signs.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sidewalks: It was decided to have regular, monthly discussion about sidewalk issues.

Community Announcements: The City is hosting a meeting about streets, entitled "Invitation to Streets Designed for Everyone", and PNA has received an invitation. Jim Miller agreed to attend.

Lawrence Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week, November 16-24, was announced.

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is

HARRY MILLER
Secretary



Pinckney Neighborhood Association



* Games * Treats * Face Painting *

* Costume Contest *

NEEDED: Your Trunk, Booth, Game or Activity to make this event Spooktacular!

Bring Donations for
Douglas County Food Bank



Saturday October 26th - Lawrence Memorial Hospital Parking Lot - 4th & Arkansas Streets

Set-up Starts at 3 pm - Event Open to Visitors from 4 to 6 pm

ANNUAL PINCKNEY NEIGHBORHOOD TRUNK-OR-TREAT & FOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY OCTOBER 26TH * LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PARKING LOT (4TH & Arkansas Streets)

Set-up starts at 3 pm - Event is open to visitors from 4 to 6 pm

Check www.PinckneyNeighborhood.org for updates!

Find **Pinckney Neighborhood Association** on Facebook!

IT'S FREE AND IT'S FUN!

Games - Activities - Face Painting - Costume Contest - Treats - Cider

No charge for admission or any of the activities, but we do request that you bring a donation of food, personal care items or cash for the Food Drive!

DECORATE YOUR TRUNK, SET UP A GAME OR ACTIVITY

We need **many** families, groups, teams & organizations to provide **TRUNKS!**

Set-up starts at 3 pm - open for guests from 4 to 6 pm

Here's what to do:

- Collect Halloween/fall items for decorating the trunk of your car, truck or van, or even a table or tent (You can find great decorating ideas by doing an internet search for "trunk or treat")
- Set up a silly or scary display - you can also make a game or activity
- Make or buy treats or prizes to hand out (The most important thing is to have plenty of "trunks" for the kids. Let PNA know if you need help setting up a trunk or supplementing your treats or prizes)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We need volunteers to help with set-up/clean-up, run games and activities, take donations and run the costume contest. This is a great student public service opportunity. We'll provide certificates of public service for any volunteers.

Contact PNA via email or on Facebook if you want to volunteer. Thanks!

Pinckney Neighborhood Association Contact Information:

Email: Pinckney.Neighborhood@gmail.com

Pres.: Pat Miller - 785-550-6958 or pgmiller@sunflower.com

V. Pres.: Jim Miller - jimmy1521.2013@gmail.com

Next PNA Monthly Meetings:

Saturday October 19th & November 16th @ 10:00 am

Lawrence Memorial Hospital - room D-South (lower level)

FOOD DRIVE - DONATE TO THE DOUGLAS COUNTY FOOD BANK

Just Food provides emergency food free of charge to residents in Douglas County.

In an effort to more effectively and efficiently address hunger in Douglas County, Just Food serves as the Douglas County Food Bank supplying partner agencies with adequate food supplies to meet growing demand, operates the largest emergency food assistance program in Douglas County, and administers two government supplemental food program and a monthly mobile food pantry.

Just Food currently provides free, emergency food boxes and bags to more than 8,000 Douglas County residents each month and distributed more than 600,000 meals in the last 12 months. Almost 40% of those fed are children.

MOST NEEDED FOOD & PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

Baby Food, Beans, Canned Meats (tuna & chicken), Canned Pasta (Spaghetti O's), Canned Soup, Canned Vegetables, Cereal, Crackers, Diapers, Hamburger Helper, Jelly, Juice, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Peanut Butter, Pork & Beans, Rice, Toilet Paper, and CASH (every dollar makes a difference - as little as 20 cents can provide a meal to someone in need)

You can also bring your donations to the PNA monthly meeting on October 19th or contact Pat Miller (785-550-6958 or pinckney.neighborhood@gmail.com) to schedule a drop-off.

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