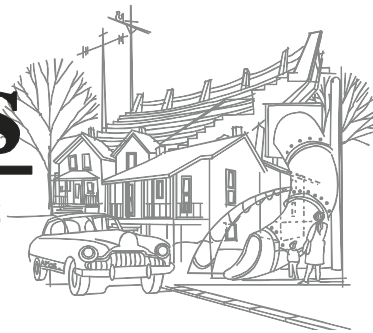


# East Lawrence News

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September 2016



## ELNA

### General Meeting

MONDAY, SEPT. 12th, 7-9pm

New York Elementary

9th & New York

Agenda items include:

- ⇒ Chamber funding & agreement with city
- ⇒ Block Party planning

Block Party to be  
Saturday Sept 24th @ Hobbs

## Block Party! Block Party! Block Party!

On Saturday, September 24th, from 5-9pm, at Hobbs Park, ELNA will throw its annual block party. Join us! We will have all our favorite things — food, entertainment, games and lots of great neighbors! Remember to bring \$ - a few dollars- for the great raffle and donation for beer.

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

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

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

**Cake Walk! Cake Walk! Cake Walk!** The cakewalk, a neighborhood favorite, always popular with the kids, is back! This year, (are you ready for this?!) we'll even have lights on our basketball court cakewalk! HUUUGE!! *We need you to donate a cake! If you plan to play cake walk, bring a cake!*

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

**Music!** East Lawrence always brings out its best musicians on this night. *Do you want to help recruit acts and organize sets? Would you and your band like to play?* Contact eastlawrence@yahoo.com if you'd like to play or volunteer.

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

**ELNA T-shirts!** ELNA t-shirts will be for sale at the block party. What fall wardrobe is complete without an ELNA shirt? Maybe we'll even have ELNA hoodies in stock again!

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

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



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## Ballad of a Mysterious Woman - a Block Party Missed Connection?

Raymond Hall, May 2016

Sometimes I conjecture about  
The way you blow your nose,  
Then, a surreptitious lawn pee,  
Without part of your clothes.

These fantasies get better when  
You're being lady-like.  
I think such is likely because  
I watched you take a bite

Of celery one evening,  
An East Lawrence pot luck,  
It was stunningly feminine:  
A memory that stuck.

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## ELNA Mower and Tiller FOR RENT

It's mowing season! If you'd like to rent the ELNA mower at \$10 per half day, you may contact Heather, by text, at 785-830-9085 to arrange pickup or delivery. If you'd like to rent the tiller for \$20 per day, contact Phil, by call or text, at 785-843-8098.

## Save the Date! Fall River Clean Up

A Fall River Clean Up has been tentatively scheduled for October 15th, with a rain date of November 5th. Watch our newsletter, our Facebook, and Work Day emails from ELNA for more details. Are you on the Work Day email list? Would you like to be? If so, email [eastlawrence@yahoo.com](mailto:eastlawrence@yahoo.com) and ask to be added.

## Upcoming ELNA Meetings, Elections

The East Lawrence Neighborhood Association will meet again on Monday, September 12th, delayed one week from our usual first Monday of the month meeting, due to the Labor Day holiday. We will presumably meet in the New York School library at 7pm. (As of this publication, the proper permissions from the school are unconfirmed.)

Our October meeting will be held on Monday, October 3rd, presumably same time, same place. We'll hold our ELNA Board elections in November, so all prospective ELNA Board members are asked to declare their intention at the October meeting. As always, only in neighborhood individual (not business or nonprofit or out of neighborhood associate) members are eligible to vote for the ELNA Board. All Board members must be voting eligible. At least 65% of the Board and the Officers of the Board (President, Vice President, and Secretary) must have been members for at least ninety days.

## New and Returning Members

And speaking of ELNA Board Elections, here's a really long list of people who have renewed their members, but whose names have gone unpublished, within the last year. If you think you signed up for a membership to be eligible to vote in last year's election, you'll want to be sure to do so again. Inquiries to [eastlawrence@yahoo.com](mailto:eastlawrence@yahoo.com).

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## A Message from the Sunrise Project

Sunrise Project is making progress on all fronts. Renovations to 1501 Learnard Ave. will begin in September and Sunrise hopes to move in by late winter. Meanwhile, Seeds from Italy anticipates obtaining a Special Use Permit (SUP) from the City on August 15th, which will allow them to begin renovating the garage on-site. Soon after, Central Soyfoods will begin its application for a SUP. Lawrence Organics continues to use the greenhouse space and Sunrise is partnering with Nicholas Ward and four schools to begin a vermicomposting project at each site. Sunrise Project has had a busy summer since hiring nine Community Coordinators who will soon begin gathering stories and feedback from their own communities to be incorporated into the County's food system plan. Follow the project's Wellcommons series to learn more: [wellcommons.com](http://wellcommons.com). The other major project Sunrise has been busy with is Summer of Service, a youth volunteer program transferred to Sunrise from the United Way this year. The following article is the last in a series of blog posts written or co-written by their youth intern, Luna Stephens:

Sunrise Project's Summer of Service 2016 culminated with Advocacy Week (July 18-22), a week-long project dedicated to learning about issues such as street harassment, consent and sexual assault, race and white privilege, relationship violence and a spectrum of LGBTQI+ topics.

"This week was more about learning" Katie Baldwin-Faling said. "You could learn those other [Summer of Service] weeks too, but this one's more about learning about activists and causes." Representatives from Hollaback! Lawrence, The Sexual Trauma & Abuse Care Center, NAACP and Willow Domestic Violence Center led hands-on workshops throughout the week.

In addition to learning, youth engaged in action as well. They took to the streets and hung flyers they created with lines such as, "I'll wear whatever I want." They chalked other anti-harassment and consent-based statements in front of the Lawrence Public Library: "Just because I move in public space does not mean by body IS public space."

Avery Carroll articulated the youth's appreciation for the action-oriented aspects of the week, "it was nice because we were actually *actively* doing something and not just talking... we are making a difference..."

Each day of the week offered time to learn about and also discuss the range of topics. The space and time devoted to discussion was a treasured element of the week.

"I think the biggest part was that everybody here got to share their experiences," Aiofe Trotter reflected. "Instead of learning more about just the statistics it was really nice to hear what other people think in my community."

It was an eye-opening, yet fun week, with new ideas and realities presented to the youth in a laid-back and welcoming environment.

Twelve year-old Kensington Comfort said that Advocacy Week was the "best part of my summer." Her friend Katie Balwing-Faling reflected on the learning experiences:

Sometimes we don't really know that much about what's going on in the world and if you start learning about it now and how you can help - maybe you'll continue thinking about that when you become an adult and have your own money... If you get involved when you're young then you'll keep being involved."

Aoife learned a lot about racism, "When the NAACP came and talked to us, it just kind of opened my eyes to the racial issues, like it's just not blatant racism all the time it's a lot of microaggressions and stuff like that."

Sunrise Project will continue to grow youth engagement programming and will offer more social justice and service-learning opportunities. In fact, the inspired youth from Advocacy Week plan to get together soon for more social justice art projects, flyering, chalking and a possible movie night that delves into a social issue they would like to learn more about.

Know a youth that would like to participate in Sunrise Project youth programming? Contact Melissa, Director of Programs at [programs@sunriseprojectks.org](mailto:programs@sunriseprojectks.org)



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# Intersection Repair Update

## *Friends and Neighbors,*

We hope the summer has been treating you well! We want to share what we've discovered about why the intersection has deteriorated in portions as well as how we plan on proceeding from here.

After collaborating with our paint supplier, we determined that the cause is mostly surface related. The paint adhered well to the intersection's newer asphalt, but didn't adhere well to the older asphalt. We determined the best solution would be to lay a fresh coat of asphalt on top of the older asphalt to create a fresh surface for painting. The City isn't able to help out with this process due to budgetary constraints, but we are looking into other private options. If anyone knows of a paving company who may be interested in helping the cause, please let us know!

We are also exploring the option of doing an Intersection Repair 2.0 using the same or similar design and the tools and knowledge we have gained during this process to repaint the mural elsewhere in the neighborhood and, most importantly, bring the community together again. We are currently evaluating options, and have honed in on several intersections in East Lawrence.

**We will be meeting at the Lawrence Public Library on Thursday, September 22nd at 7:00pm in Meeting Room C to discuss these 2 options and to potentially select a secondary mural site. Everyone is welcome- we'd love your input!**

Thanks as always for your continued support and don't hesitate to reach out with suggestions! You can reach us by email at [katy.clagett@gmail.com](mailto:katy.clagett@gmail.com) or [akellyit@gmail.com](mailto:akellyit@gmail.com) or visit our Lawrence Intersection Repair Facebook page.

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# Community Compost & Woodchip Sale

The City of Lawrence opens the Wood Recovery and Composting Facility each Saturday, March-mid December for self-loading, as well as hosts two Compost & Woodchip Sale Events per year.

Location: 1420 E. 11th Street which is east of 11th and Haskell Avenue, over the railroad tracks

The compost and woodchips are not intended for commercial applications, but rather for the citizens of Lawrence. For residential use only.

## **FALL SALE EVENT**

Fall sale event dates: September 8th, 9th, & 10th. 8 am - 3 pm.

The city will load by tractor into pick-up trucks and trailers. The city cannot load trucks with ladder racks. Patrons are asked to bring a tarp for their pickup to secure the woodchips, preventing them from littering the roadway as they drive from the facility. The cost of the compost or woodchips will be \$10 per bucket load, which is equivalent to 2 cubic yards. CASH only.

For more information on the compost or woodchip sale, please call (785) 832-3030 or email [recycling@lawrenceks.org](mailto:recycling@lawrenceks.org).

## **SALE - SELF LOAD ONLY**

Every Saturday, March - mid-December, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Compost and woodchips are for SELF LOAD ONLY. Self-loading pick-up truck or trailer loads will be \$10 per load and small quantities will be free. CASH only. Please bring a shovel. This sale will be during scheduled brush drop-off hours.

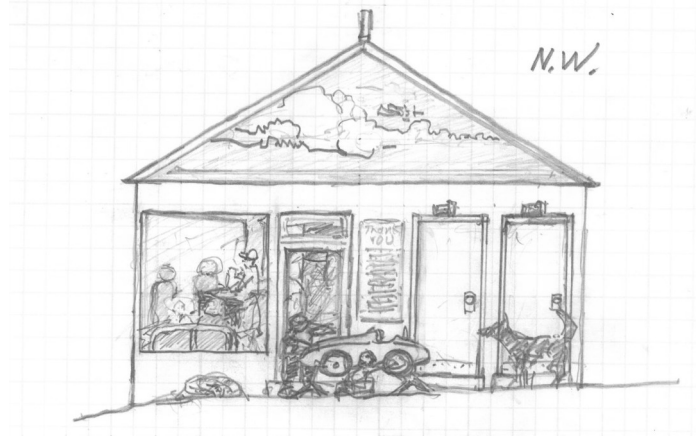
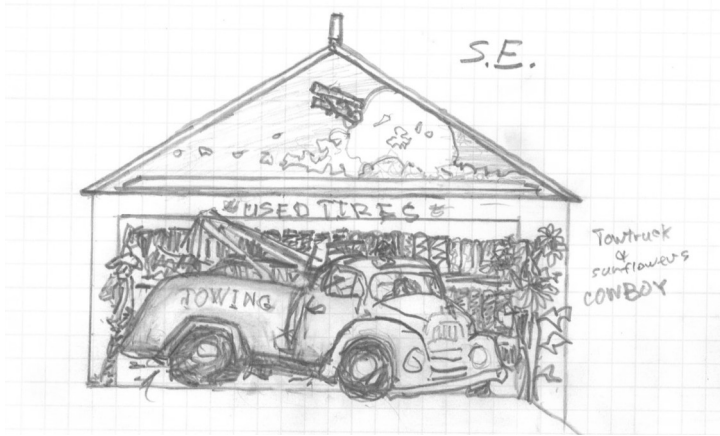
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## Mural Interview

Gotfred Beardshear, August 10th, 2016

“Free Repairs Mural” on the Potter’s Automotive storage building at 9th and Delaware

\$8,000 fundraising goal

Contributions can be sent to:

Lawrence Sustainability Action Network

% Lawrence Creates MakerSpace

512 E 9th St

Lawrence, KS 66044

(with the memo line “Free Repairs Yesterday Mural”)

LANE: Your name is Gotfred Beardshear?

GOTFRED: uh huh, it is.

LANE: That's a good name.

GOTFRED: It is. It's a real artist name.

LANE: You know, my last name, Eisenbart, means "Ironbeard". So we could be, like, beard brothers. ... Anyway, you've lived in East Lawrence for 25 years.

GOTFRED: Yes.

LANE: Have you lived in this house the whole time?

GOTFRED: We have.

LANE: Wow.

GOTFRED: We came here to, uh, be this house.

LANE: Wow. That's a commitment. And you run, you own, the Blackbird?

GOTFRED: Uh huh, the Blackbird Trading Post downtown.

LANE: The Blackbird has always got such really neat stuff, and it seems like a lot of it is something that's been remade or just repaired and loved to be beautiful. Do you feel like that's something you do, as an artist?

GOTFRED: It is!

LANE: You take something and make it into something beautiful?

GOTFRED: Yes. As an artist, I'm always looking for the assistance of spirit, and spirits to move my work forward. That's what it's all about. It's all informed by spirit.

LANE: And you feel like this piece, this mural, that you were moved to do this?

GOTFRED: It's actually a series of coincidences that got the whole thing going. Initially, I was going to do, to paint, a commercial sign for Potters Auto Repair in return for credit on future car work.

LANE: A sign in exchange for auto repair?

GOTFRED: Yeah! And then KT (Walsh) got wind of it, and she's, of course, very interested in all the old buildings. And the building that's the subject of this painting --

LANE: That's the quonset, the tin shed --

GOTFRED: It's a sheet metal covered shed building at 9th and Delaware.

LANE: The little catty-corner one?

GOTFRED: Yes, the one directly across from the wishing bench. It was a building formerly owned by the Banning Oil Company. So there's the tie-in right there. It was a storage building that Banning Oil used.

LANE: And now it's an auto repair place? Do you know how long they've been there?

GOTFRED: Well, it's still just used as storage. So it's not an every day use kind of place.

Nobody works out of there, but they keep tires and other supplies in there, Potter does. Lynn Potter. His repair place, (Potter's Automotive and Transmission,) is in the big sheet metal building that's tucked into the bank next to (to the north of) Krause's house. On Delaware. That building has garage bays all the way across the front of it. That building was the bus garage for the last iteration of the Lawrence Bus Company that the Ogle's operated. Both buildings are owned now by the Ogle family.

LANE: So, it's a business that's been there a long time, owned by a family that's got a history in Lawrence and on the East Side, and you were going to trade some sign paint-

ing for some car repair. Then KT got involved, and it became bigger?

GOTFRED: It turned into this big concept. I saw an obvious need for this because of the stuff going on in the neighborhood, to highlight what the neighborhood was traditionally about. But the (mural) piece isn't completely nostalgia driven. It's kind of a mixed, mid-century representation. Aspects of it will cover from the 1930s into the '50s -- the kind of cars up on the lift, and that kind of thing. There are three sides (of the mural.) The big profile facing the wishing bench, catty-corner to the intersection (of Delaware and 9th), picturing the front office, the gas pumps, etc. There's a gas station guy inside the office. The design, the representation of the scene, allows you to look through the corner of the building. A window on the profile side, is also a window of a room on the other side. There are dimensional situations. Another thing this piece is really about is how businesses like this, in their time, especially mid-century, were anchors for community. So, there are kids working on a soapbox derby car in the picture. And because of my affection for dogs, there are images of neighborhood dogs. Some are pretty specific. There's one iconic dog, that I think is just the most beautiful dog, so she's going to be in there.

LANE: Right on! Walking your dog is one of the ways you get to meet your neighbors. Very important. So, you've told me about where (the mural will be painted), and why that place, and how the idea came about, and you've told me you have your LCAC (Lawrence Cultural Arts Commission) and other City body approvals, but what kind of timeline are you looking at?

GOTFRED: Once it gets going, I expect, between myself and painting assistants, there could be close to 1000 hours of painting to be done.

LANE: That's a lot of painting.

GOTFRED: It is. I'll need help. It's my intention to draw my assistants, both skilled and unskilled, from the neighborhood.

LANE: Do you have people in mind that you've used for projects before?

GOTFRED: Not really, but Amber (Hanson) and Nick (Ward) have been really helpful in this project, and so has KT, and I'd like them to continue to be part of it.

LANE: Would you have any sort of application process, if you needed more assistants?

"Free Repairs Yesterday Mural." Do they (the LSAN) have a PO Box?

GOTFRED: Up to this point, people have been mailing things to me, and I've handed it off the the group. For these purposes, contributions could be mailed to the MakerSpace at 512 E 9th St.

LANE: And after you reach that threshold number, you can get started?

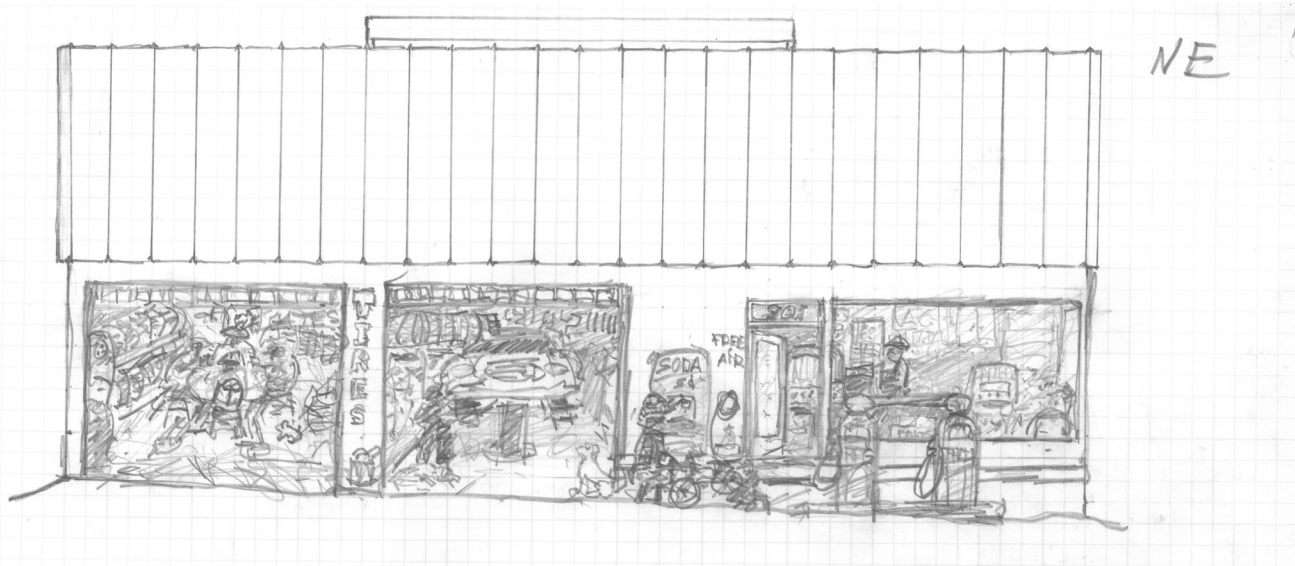
GOTFRED: Yeah, I'll make repairs and prime and get a drawing on the building. The next thing after that, people can be there painting.

LANE: Ideally, let's say you met your threshold, would you start in the Fall? This Fall? Would you wait for Spring?

GOTFRED: Nah. I'd rather start in the Fall to make those repairs. I already have the sheet metal, and I'd get the primer on it before it gets cold.

LANE: I think that's all the questions I had. But, about how long would a thousand hours of painting take? I mean, if you were to start in the Fall with your repairs, and then...?

GOTFRED: A couple of months of working on it. And I can't work on it 5 days a week, and I can't paint when it's too cold. So, it's a long-term thing. As it turns out, most things that I do are geological in their time. Glacial. For good or ill, that's the way I have always been. I'm in no hurry.



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- Serving on the ELNA Board
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