

East Lawrence News

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November 2022
& December 2022



ELNA

General Meeting

November 14th 7- 9 pm

December 12th 7- 9 pm

IN PERSON AT THE DEPOT!

7th & New Jersey Streets

And Online via Zoom

Agenda & Zoom Link

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

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From the President

Barry Shalinsky

It's that time of year! The mercury is, well, mercurial, with temperatures all over the place. What was great weather for painting my porch has gotten a bit dicey for that, but still rewarding in its own way. Brightly colored leaves are turning to brown, while brightly colored political yard signs continue to dot the landscape, some of them still standing strong from last July.

November means it is General Election time in Kansas. In August, nearly 1300 East Lawrence voters participated in the Primary Election. Among those of you who voted, 96% cast your ballots against the proposed Constitutional Amendment. You may believe that this vote settled the issue of reproductive rights in Kansas. If that is your belief, you would be wrong. The Kansas Supreme Court has interpreted the Kansas Constitution as conferring rights to reproductive choice to Kansas women. Six of seven Kansas Supreme Court justices are up for retention votes in this election. If the judges lose their retention votes, the Governor would appoint their replacements. As we have seen at the national level, when there are new justices, courts do reverse their precedents. Not surprisingly, the two major party candidates for Governor differ in their views on reproductive freedom, in what kind of judges they would appoint to the Court, and on most other important policy matters.

As we have experienced many times, elections have consequences. No matter where you stand on issues such as education, healthcare, climate science or the economy, this election matters, and that means **YOUR VOTE MATTERS!**

In East Lawrence, one good election deserves another. East Lawrence Neighborhood Association members will elect ELNA Board Members to serve for the coming year at our Membership Meeting on Monday, November 14. ELNA Meetings are now conducted in hybrid fashion, in person at the Santa Fe / Amtrak Depot at 7th & New Jersey, or online via Zoom. Inside this newsletter, you will find useful information about how to participate in both elections.

After the ELNA election, our work will continue! We are working closely with the City Planning Department on revisions to our Neighborhood Plan. Many of you have been engaged in community meetings and discussions. Please continue to participate. Our Traffic Safety Committee will continue to be active in seeking solutions to chronic problems. And even though it is not quite winter, it is not too soon to start thinking about our annual YART Sale next spring!

Hand Delivery Thanks

A Big Thank You to our dedicated volunteers who helped hand deliver our newsletter in recent months: Meghan Davis, Terri Dixon, Joe Pickert, Krista Gentry, Barry Shalinsky, Julianna Patterson, Frank Janzen, Joe Bickford, Kate Lowder, Pam Blackburn, Sacie Lambertson, Hosanna Fortmeyer, and our local Boy Scout Troop 62. If you'd like to go for a lovely little walk and get to know the neighborhood better, and help your neighborhood association save some money on postage at the same time, let us know! Email Barry at elnaprez@yahoo.com. He'll assign you a route and give some instructions.

ELNA Board Candidates

ELNA will select a Board for the 2022-2023 service year at our upcoming Annual Membership Meeting on Monday November 14th. All ELNA Members who are individual residents of East Lawrence are eligible to vote.

At our October meeting, the following community members declared their candidacies: Pam Blackburn, Phil Collison, Krista Gentry, Sacie Lambertson, Kate Lowder, Brenda Nunez, Aaron Paden, Julianna Patterson, Barry Shalinsky, and KT Walsh, all seek to return for another term. Newcomer Gabrielle Yacoob wishes to join as well.

Current Board members Joshua Davis and Dave Loewenstein have decided to step away. Joshua Davis cites his need to focus on upcoming work projects and his family. Dave Loewenstein, sadly, will be moving out of the neighborhood this winter, and therefore will be ineligible for Board service. We'd like to thank Joshua and Dave for their *many* years of wise counsel and dedication to our projects and causes.

More about the candidates:

Pam Blackburn, pamblackburn55@gmail.com – Pam has served on the ELNA Board since 2014 and lives on Connecticut St with her family and dogs. She's served for many years as our secretary, and is a big help at kickball concessions in the summer.

Phil Collison, phil@pcollison.com – Phil has served on the ELNA Board for, like, a really long time. 15, 16 years? At least. In that time, he's served in every officer position except secretary. Phil lives on Pennsylvania St and enjoys playing music, hiking, camping, biking and a quality craft beer.

Krista Gentry, leekris@hotmail.com – "I'm a busy mom to multiple pets and a human. I've lived in east Lawrence for six years. I'm interested in serving on the ELNA board because it's a way to be involved in my immediate community that is compatible with my work schedule. Serving on a board that represents my family and neighbors is rewarding to me."

Sacie Lambertson, sacie.lambertson@gmail.com – "Having moved from the country to East Lawrence just four and a half years ago, we are relatively new to this eclectic and interesting community. We love the fact it has a dynamic neighborhood association, one that is truly involved in helping this good neighborhood to thrive."

Kate Lowder, reallowd@gmail.com – "I'm a proud resident of lovely East Lawrence. I love the uniqueness and strong sense of community it provides. There truly is not any other part of Lawrence, like East Lawrence!"

Brenda Nunez, brendajnunez@hotmail.com – Brenda is a lifelong resident of East Lawrence and has served on the ELNA Board on and off for the entirety of ELNA's existence. We're fortunate she shares her perspective and wisdom with us.

Aaron Paden, aaronpaden@gmail.com – Aaron has lived in East Lawrence for the last 14 years or so, and served on the board since 2012.

Julianna Patterson, pattejul000@gmail.com – Julia grew up in Lawrence and has recently returned here to live. Julia

joined the Board just last year, but she's already made herself indispensable.

Barry Shalinsky, elnaprez@yahoo.com – "My family and I love living in our historic East Lawrence home. East Lawrence is a special place with a special vibe. ELNA plays a critical role in making and keeping East Lawrence, East Lawrence. I am semi-retired and have time and energy to contribute to our neighborhood."

KT Walsh, kathleenbridgetwalsh052@gmail.com – "Howdy East Lawrence denizens, I've been here on Garfield St, then Rhode Island for many years. Best neighborhood in the city. I'd like to continue working on revising our ancient Neighborhood Plan & meet new residents."

Gabrielle Yacoob, gaby.yacoob@gmail.com – Gabrielle has just recently moved to the neighborhood with her boyfriend who was born and raised in the area. She read about Board serving in the newsletter! Welcome, Gaby! Further questions can be addressed by reviewing the bylaws on the ELNA website or directed to the Coordinator at eastlawrence@yahoo.com.

Pop Up Merch Sales

Need an ELNA t-shirt or hoodie? Maybe you want to give a gift, or maybe you just want to see what we've got and maybe try a size before you buy. We can help you out with that. ELNA Merchandise Sales! Saturdays, November 12th and December 10th, noon to 3pm, at the Murphy Brommel-sick House, at 10th-ish and Delaware. We've got hooded zip sweatshirts with the ELNA graphic and a few with the possum graphic. We've got a couple hunter green sweatshirts too! Plus the Shelley Miller Memorial tees (the Ever Vigilant Neighborhood Bitch), Wishing Bench tees (in adult and youth sizes), Possum Lady tees, AND standard ELNA graphic t-shirts. Prices range from \$12 to \$20 for the t-shirts, and \$25 for the hoodies, and we do have a variety of sizes in each, small to 2xl. We can take cash, check, or card. :) Email Lane with questions at eastlawrence@yahoo.com. See you soon!



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Sunrise Events

Coats & Coffee Saturday November 12th 10am-12pm
at the Sunrise Project, 1501 Learnard

Help us kick off our Shared Warmth program! Bring clean, gently used or new coats, hats, gloves and scarves. We will make these items available through our 24/7 no-questions-asked pantry for anyone in need!

We will be serving coffee, hot chocolate, cider and breakfast pastries. All available by donation. Our cafe space will be open for seating!

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Lit and Local

Saturday December 3rd 1-4pm
Cider Gallery 810 Pennsylvania

Lit & Local is back for a winter edition!

Lit & Local is a youth-driven event that gives a platform for youth creators to sell their homemade goods to the community.

We will be hosting up to 20 youth vendors ages 12-18 and their homemade goods: arts, crafts and baked goods! Come out and find some winter holiday gifts while supporting youth creators! We will list vendors as we get confirmation from them:)

We are grateful for support from DCCCA and the Cider Gallery to make this event happen!

Homemade creations + youth + community! It doesn't get any better!

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Community Meals

Sunrise continues to serve community meals every other Wednesday at the Sunrise site. Check sunrise social media for each meal details.

Sunrise community meals are for everyone! We prepare delicious, home-cooked meals as an act of community care. Come have dinner with us! When it is nice, stay and picnic (starting in December we'll have some indoor seating available) or take your meals to-go. Donations accepted (\$0-\$6) but never required!! Everyone is always welcome at Sunrise!

ELNA Adopts-a-Family for the Holidays

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

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

Block Party Thanks

Thank you, friends, for attending our annual neighbor party at the end of September. We've got some excellent cooks and musicians in the neighborhood! It was nice to see you all. We'd like to thank the following for their help making the party happen.

Volunteers

Aaron Paden, Barry Shalinsky, Tom, Peter, and Jenny Buller, David Paden, Michael Davis, Michelle and Lucy Needham, Heather and Brad Eldridge, Ro O'Leary and Flor Nicanor, Carolyn Olson, Lisa Marie Benke, Mick Palmer, Phil Collison, Marshall Maude, Tim VonHolton, Sherrie Nunez, KT Walsh, Anil Kamat, Kristina Eronat Davis, Terri Dixon, Michelle Fales, Samantha Saltz, Sarah Edmonds, Edmond Stansbury, Zippy, Christian Beer, Eric Farnsworth, Josh Davis, Joe Bickford, Cindy Trask and Gotfred Beardshear, Lawrence Beer Company

Musicians/ Entertainment

John Thompson, Dance Hues Studio, Bopaphonics, The Fixers, Sugarfoot Detour

Tables

Sunflower Dance Studio, The City of Lawrence, Samantha Moore and Central Middle School, Ad Astra Pole, Kali Deno, the Art Cart, Boy Scout Troop 62

Raffle Items

Alicia Kelley, LadyIronbeard, Shane Heiman and LMH Gift Shop, Bites of Joy, Nedra Bonds, Micki Lubbers, Mike Rundle

Clare's Community Closet Winter Drive

Hello everyone.

Just like the day I heard a request 3 years ago for blankets, I heard it again today. It's time: I could feel the need for movement when I went to go drop off care packs at a friends campsite.

It's time to start up my Winter Drive for Clare's Community Closet.

Coats/Boots

Blankets/Sleeping bags/Tents

Clare Packs need:

Scarves

Beanies

Gloves

Socks

Deodorant

Lotion

Toothpaste

Toothbrushes

Can openers

Razors

As always Ikea bags and ziploc bags as requested by our community members.

Amazon list included for ease of delivery. https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2YJKPZVX33HOK?ref_=wl_share

Clean and wash all used items in advance.

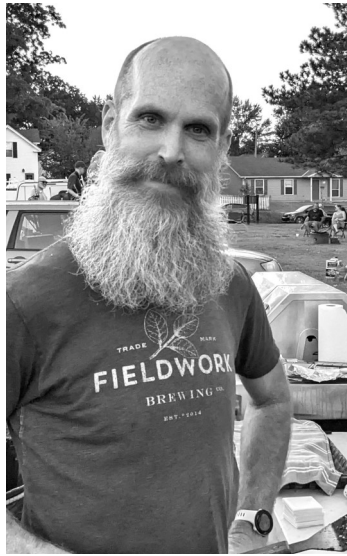


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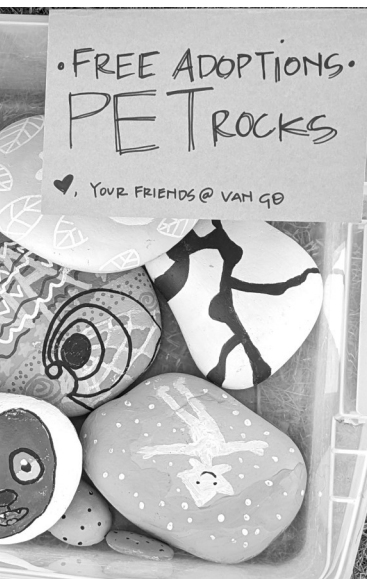


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Volunteers needed for 2022-2023 Safe Winter Walkways Program

The City of Lawrence and the Senior Resource Center for Douglas County need your help! The Safe Winter Walkways Program, a collaboration between the two organizations, is underway for 2022-2023, and volunteers are needed to help elderly and disabled individuals clear public sidewalks following snow events.

The Safe Winter Walkways Program is an excellent resource for members of our community who are physically unable to keep their sidewalks clear during snow events. The goal is to create safer and more accessible pedestrian walkways, and it is a structured version of what already happens in many neighborhoods - neighbors helping neighbors.

Able-bodied Lawrence residents with a passion for helping others and who enjoy winter weather are needed to volunteer for the Safe Winter Walkways Program. Volunteers are matched with residents needing assistance, and the program makes every effort to match volunteers with residents in their neighborhoods. All volunteers are asked to commit to the entire snow season and shovel after each snow fall. Volunteers are not required to provide snow removal for private driveways, sidewalks or walkways, but they may choose to also clear those areas.

Individual volunteers are welcome, but the program also encourages volunteer groups, civic organizations and youth groups to consider volunteering as a team. Please contact Larry Woydziak to find out how to sign up as a group and for the requirements for volunteering.

Elderly and disabled individuals who are responsible for the care of public sidewalks, but are physically unable to keep them clear following snow events, are encouraged to participate in the program. Participant registration will close on November 20, 2022, so that all volunteers and participants can be matched before the holiday season and winter weather begins. The program is for public sidewalks only and priority is given to homes with public sidewalks.

The City is again offering online registration for both participants and volunteers. Visit our website to sign up: lawrenceks.org/safe_winter_walkways. Interested participants and volunteers can also register by calling Larry Woydziak with the Senior Resource Center for Douglas County at (785) 727-7875.

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Porter Arneill, City of Lawrence,
parneill@lawrenceks.org, (785) 832-3402

November 8th General Election Voter Information

The general election is Tuesday, November 8th. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Voting in person on Election Day will occur at your polling place. If you live east of Mass and north of 11th (Precinct 39), you'll vote at the Cider Gallery 810 Pennsylvania St. If you live south of 11th but north of 14th, east of Mass and west of the Trail (Precinct 40) you'll vote at Trinity Lutheran Church at 1245 New Hampshire. Neighbors south of 14th but north of 15th, east of Mass and west of the Trail (Precinct 33) will vote at Vintage Church 1501 New Hampshire. If you're at all unsure of your voting status or polling place, please check with our Douglas County Clerk's Office at: www.douglascountyks.org/depts/voting-and-elections.

If you'd like to study for your ballot and make sure you're making the most informed decision, you can look up your sample ballot. Visit: myvoteinfo.voteks.org/voterview. Just enter your name and address, and a sample ballot with details on what you'll be voting on will populate. For example, a voter in precinct 40 may vote on these candidates and issues:

National Offices

United States Senate

David C Graham
Mark R Holland
Jerry Moran

United States Representative, 1st District

James "Jimmy" Beard
Tracy Mann

State Offices

Governor and Lt Governor –

Laura Kelly, David Tolland
Dennis Pyle, Kathleen E Garrison
Derek Schmidt, Katie Sawyer
Seth Cordell, Evan Laudick-Gains

Secretary of State

Cullene Lang
Jeanna Repass
Scott J Scwab

Attorney General

Kris Kobach
Chris Mann

State Treasurer

Steven Johnson
Steve Roberts
Lynn W Rogers

Commissioner of Insurance

Kiel Corkran
Vicki Schmidt

State Representative

Boog Highberger
Stacey L Donovan

Judicial Retention

Kansas Supreme Court

For Justice, Vote Yes or No
Melissa Taylor Stanridge
Dan Biles

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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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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: _____

KJ Wall
Marla Luckert
Evelyn Z Wilson
Caleb Stegall

Kansas Court of Appeals

Stephen D Hill
Leslie Ann Isherwood
Amy Fellows Cline
Kim R Schroder
Henry W Green Jr
Tom Malone
Jacy J Hurst

7th District Court

Amy J Hanley
Sally D Pokorny
Stacey L Donovan

There are also two Constitutional Amendments and a County Question on the Ballot.

In brief, Constitutional Amendment 1 asks about “legislative oversight of administrative rules and regulations.” Constitutional Amendment 2 asks about “County and Township officers.” The County Question asks voters to cast yes or no to the question “Shall the Governing Body of Douglas County, Kansas increase its number of commissioner districts from three to five?”

Vote411.org has more in depth information on the Constitutional Amendments as well as office candidate information.

If you need help getting to your polling place, please email Lane at eastlawrence@yahoo.com and we’ll find you a ride!

LMCMS Fun Run

It was a beautiful afternoon for the Liberty Memorial Central Middle School Fun Run on Friday October 28. The entire student body and many of the teachers participated – running, jogging or slow walking through the streets of Barker and East Lawrence, some in Halloween costumes, and some not. The event is held every year to raise money for student activities. Please contact Samantha Moore at the School to donate. 785-832-5400.

Congrats to East Lawrence Eighth Grade student Oscar Paden for being the first one to cross the finish line!



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