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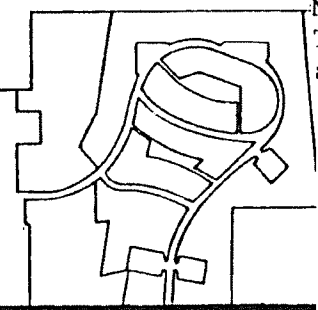
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ELECTION OF OFFICERS AT THE WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER MEETING



DOUGLAS CO. HUMANE SOCIETY

CANDIDATE

FORUM

SCHOOL ▽ CITY

MARCH ^{Monday 22} **22**-7:00

EAST LAWRENCE CENTER

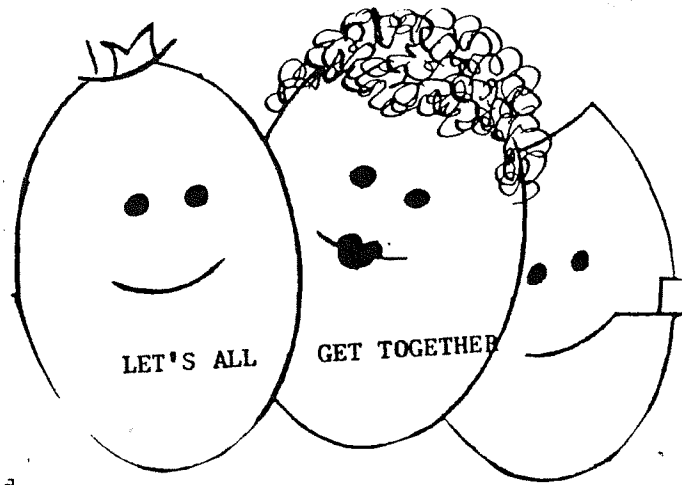
EVERYONE COME



"If you don't VOTE-- DON'T GRIPE !!!



WE NEED
YOUR
HELP !!!



PICNIC

PICNIC !! PICNIC !!
Where ? When ?
Brook Creek Neighborhood
Association will hold our
annual fall picnic Wed.
September 15, at 6 p.m. at
Brook Creek Park .(East
Lawrence Center if it rains'.
Bring a covered dish, dess. ,
and table service for your
family. Meat and drinks will be furnished.
Come and enjoy an evening with your neighbors.

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The Brook Creek Neighborhood
Association
needs you as a member !!!

The association seeks to do things to better
our neighborhood. Examples of these things are
legion and well known to many of you. A list of
these accomplishments is in this newsletter.

Our membership has gone down and is now
less than half what it was at its peak. If
this decline continues we will have no alter-
native but to disband as an association and go
back to being the forgotten part of the city as
it was before the association existed.

Join me in our efforts to maintain and im-
provethe quality of life in our neighborhood.

Don Binns
President of
Brook Creek Neighborhood Improvement
Association.

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Following is a list of things which the
Association has ~~been~~ able to achieve for our
neighborhood:

1. Brook Creek Park
2. Edgewood Park
3. Sidewalks on 13th and 15th Sts.
4. East Lawrence Center Building
5. Rust-free water lines on Oakhill
and adjacent streets.
Drainage system at 13th & Oakhill
continued--

achievements continued--

6. Playground equipment in Brook Creek and
Edgewood Parks
7. Ball diamonds in both parks
8. Soccer field in Edgewood Park
9. Paving and curbing 15th Street
10. Shrubbery and fence in front of East
Lawrence Center
11. Restrooms and water fountains in the
parks
Baskey Ball goals

These are things which would never have been
acheived had it not been for the tireless
efforts of those who have worked as a team
to present and pursue these issues at City
Hall. Most of them were obtained by careful
planning and persistent requests to Federal
Community Development Funding.
Much time was spent obtaining the required
estimates and attending numerous meetings .
Don't you owe your neighbors a continuance
of this sort of activity? Think on these
things and come and do your part.

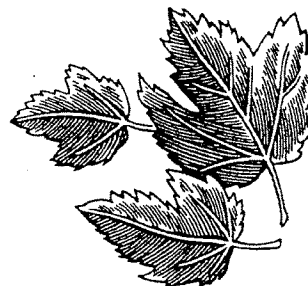
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EAST LAWRENCE CENTER ACTIVITIES

Arobics
Tie Kevon-do (self defense)
Cottonwood adults and kids
Free play Sunday through Friday
3 to 6 p m Saturday 1 to 5

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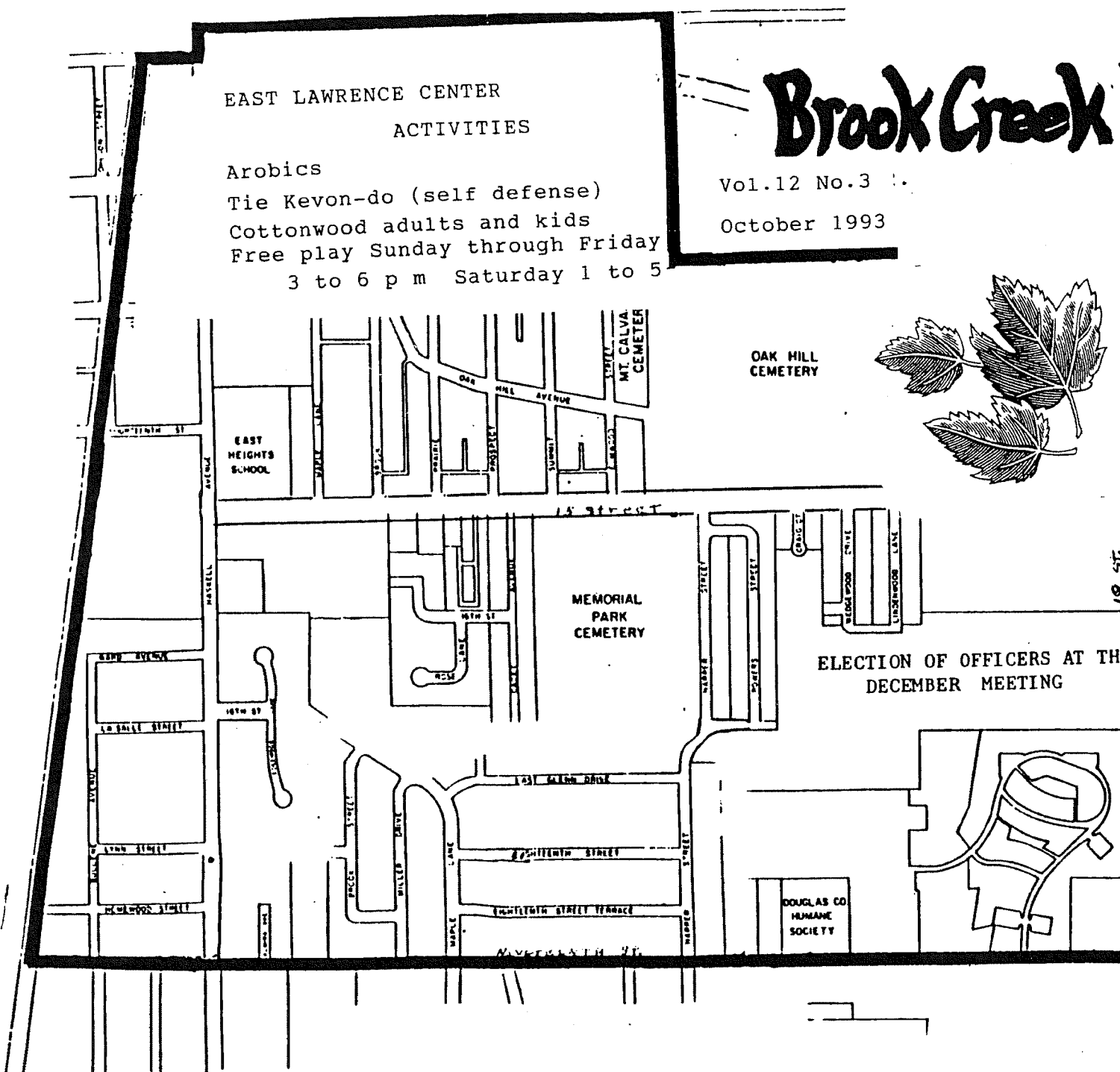
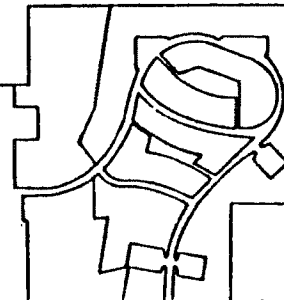
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OAK HILL CEMETERY

MEMORIAL PARK CEMETERY

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AT THE
DECEMBER MEETING

DOUGLAS CO
HUMANITARIAN
SOCIETY



W E L C O M E ! ! !

To one and all, to the new members and to the faithful members of past years. We hope this will be the best year ever for Brook Creek. We have many things to consider for the good of our neighborhood and decisions to make as how to achieve them. "In numbers there is strength" is a true fact. We need ideas from everyone.

We had an excellent turn-out for our picnic. Lets keep the enthusiasm going. All ideas are open for discussion.

The Community Development Board begins discussions in January and Brook Creek is the first to present our requests. We must be prepared. Some of our requests which were allowed for last year have been met, but not all. The sidewalk on Fifteenth Street has been repaired, but not on 13th as allowed. Come prepared for requests which we may want to make for next year.

Don Binns, President
Brook Creek Neighborhood Assoc.
1402 E. Glenn Drive
Lawrence KS 66044

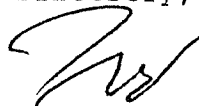
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We recently have had a variety of incidents in Edgewood Park involving loose dogs bothering park users.

We ask you to alert the neighborhood via your newsletter that by City Ordinance Chapter 3-202 dogs or cats need to be under the control of owners or keepers while in parks. This means they must be "on a leash physically under the control of its keeper".

If you have any questions about this concern, please contact our office.

Sincerely,



Fred DeVictor, CLP
Director
Lawrence Parks and Recreation

We must show interest and strength if we are to receive any consideration by the board and by the city commission which has the final consideration. Neighborhoods who stand behind their representatives and show a willingness to act are the ones which receive the "good" results. When the commission looks at our attendance they judge us by the interest that is shown by the most people. We do not have a representative on the Commission so we need to be visible and vocal.

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CAN YOU REMEMBER WHEN -----?

The site of Edgewood homes was a forest ?
Brook Street was an alley?
East Lawrence Center site was a cow pasture?
East 13th Street had three grocery stores ?
The name of Easy Street was changed to Powers because Easy Street was not dignified, (so said the city council) ?

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Condolences to those who suffered storm damage. Surely very few escaped but praise to the quickness with which most of you have managed to clear up the area.

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Compliments to the many beautiful flower beds in the neighborhood.

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Bring a neighbor to the next meeting. Remember, it is at the East Lawrence Center in the south meeting room.

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If you would like to have a speaker on a particular subject we will endeavor to find one.

You are important to us!

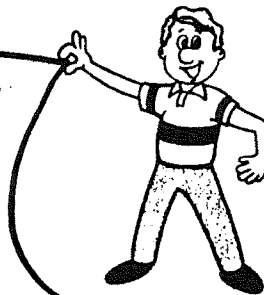
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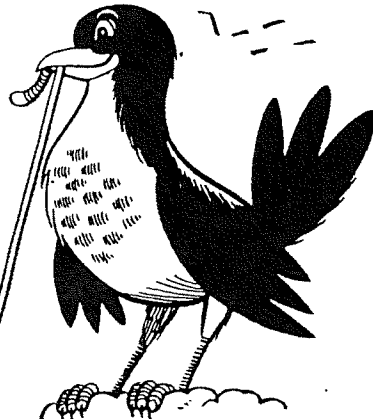
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attend the meeting of
Brook Creek Neighborhood Improvement
Association on March 9, 7:30 pm
at the East Lawrence Center
on East Fifteenth Street.

Bring a neighbor and your ideas on
how to make this a better
NEIGHBORHOOD ! ! ! !



TRY
US
YOU '11
LIKE
US
! ! ! !



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MEETINGS

Discussions continue. No decisions have been made as yet. As usual there are more requests than available funds. Mr. Williams presented the request for alley paving. It did not receive favorable attention. This was our only request aside from the news-

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P L A N N I N G S E S S I O N

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Suggested topics for discussion :

News items about our neighbors !

Neighborhood clean-up day in the spring. Do we need help from the city ?

Should we have speakers at our meetings? Who would you like to hear and what would you like them to discuss?

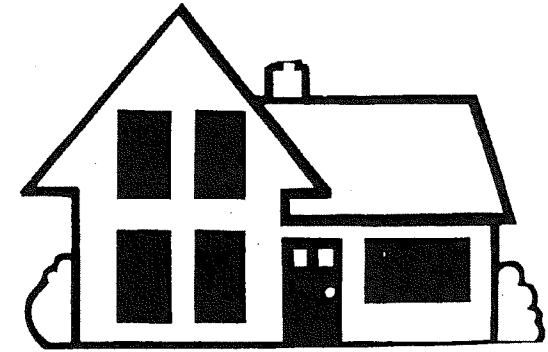
Picnic !!!!!

Eye -sores in the neighbor. How can they be eradicated? By Screening ?

Improvements in the neighborhood. Let's give that neighbor a pat on the back !

Any other suggestions you may have.

Phone your items to 843-0471.



ACCESSIBLE HOUSING PROGRAM

The Accessible Housing Program of Independence, Inc. is now in operation to assist persons with a disability make needed modifications on rental apartments or houses

Some examples of modifications that are possible through the Program include:

- Building ramps to provide access to the entrance of an apartment or house.
- Widening doorways to allow clearance for a person using a wheelchair.
- Installing a visual signaling system to inform a person who is deaf that someone is at the door.
- Installing lever-type door or faucet handles to provide more independent operation.
- Replacing or beveling door thresholds which are too high, allowing smoother passage for a person using a wheelchair.
- Installing grab bars in the bathroom.

If there are accessibility modifications you would like to make in the place you are renting, or would like more information, contact Independence, Inc., 1910 Haskell Avenue, Lawrence, KS 66046, 831-0333.



Did you ever feel this way ?

"Why, yes, you are in the right office... who told you how to get here?"

Baloo

Kaw Valley Earth Week

needs volunteers and corporate sponsors.

APRIL 1994

Monday 18	Sunrise Blessings for the Earth. Clean Up Day. Pick it up where you live and work. Caring starts in your own front yard.
Tuesday 19	Alternative Transportation & Trees. Tree planting. Walk or bike to work and school.
Wednesday 20	Respecting All Species Day. Community events (TBA) honoring animals KU Natural History Museum has two programs, Dinosaurs, Mammals (fee).
Thursday 21	Quality Recycling Arts and Science Day. Lawrence Walmart and Lawrence Elementary school events.
Friday 22	EARTHDAY Haskell Campus Children's environmental events & Indian Culture Program.
Saturday 23	Annual Clinton Lake Cleanup (AM) Celebration of the Earth Events Downtown Parade & Carnival in South Park.
Sunday 24	Earthstock - KU Campus. Sunset Benedictions.

COMMUNITY EARTHDAY CALENDER

Please send information on Earthday Day Activities you have planned for April 1994 to the City Recycling office, Box 708. Lawrence Ks. 66044 or call and leave a message at 832-3330

Volunteers:

Come to EARTHDAY Committee Meetings, Tuesdays, 7:00 PM at Simple Goods. 735 Mass.

or Call:

City Recycling Office 832-3330

Simple Goods 841-8321

For booth or concession information at the South Park event, Call Erin Madden 843-2770

Volunteers needed: Parade assistant, Entertainment coordinator, Entertainers, Set up and clean up crews, Children's activities organizers and helpers. Please post, or pass on this notice to your organizations and friends.

2/23/94

The year 1994 marks the 20th anniversary of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Beginning March 28 through April 3, 1994, communities across the nation will mark the eighth annual celebration of National Community Development Week, a week long annual campaign to emphasize both locally and at the national level the contributions of the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. It is during this period that local governments plan activities in their jurisdictions to showcase the projects and services provided by CDBG.

As we plan activities for this week, you are cordially invited to attend the annual Community Development Fair on March 29, 1994, as we kick-off festivities for National Community Development Week. The City is currently planning on sponsoring an informational open house fair from 4:30 to 5:45 pm, which will be followed by informal speeches of various representatives from the United States legislature and HUD officials. The CD fair will be very similar to last year's, but we feel that with additional publicity and with guest speakers, we can generate a lot of public response. We are planning to set up booths/displays for organizations of social services. If you are interested in setting up a booth or have any questions, please contact Jay Leipzig, Housing Coordinator, or Carlos Ruiz, Housing Intern, at 832-3108 no later than March 11. We have mailed invitations to Senators Bob Dole and Nancy Kassebaum, Representative Jan Meyers, and Joseph O'Brien, HUD Regional Director who will hopefully be speaking on the attributes of the CDBG program.

When It Snows

The City has an Ice and Snow Control Manual for snow plowing with 12 designated districts assigned to specific drivers. Each snow plow driver has a planned route to follow. That is why you might occasionally see a snow plow truck bypassing snow covered roads. Plowing and/or distributing salt along the way to another district delays the overall completion of the plowing operations and decreases the amount of salt available for the snow plow driver's assigned district.



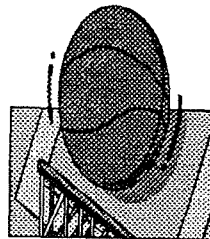
Snow Removal Reminder

In City Code section 16-102, no owner or occupant of any lot or parcel of ground shall permit earth or other substances to accumulate on the sidewalk along such property. Therefore, property owners are responsible for removing all snow

and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their property.

* On February 28, 1994 the City will begin accepting applications for all summer employment. Applications can be obtained in the Administrative Services Office, second floor, City Hall, Monday thru Friday, 8am to 5pm. The deadline is April 1, 1994.

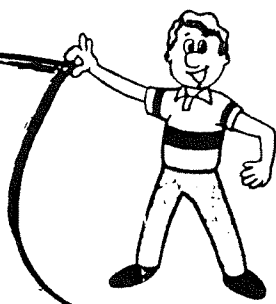
* The Motor Oil Recycling Program is scheduled Monday thru Friday, 8am to 4pm at the Central Garage, 11th and Haskell on the west side of the street. For more recycling information call 832-3330.



* The Parks and Recreation Department is looking for volunteers for the Region E Special Olympics Basketball Tournament from 8am to 5 pm, February 12, 1994, at Shawnee Mission North. There is also a need for volunteers for the Area 11 Special Olympics Basketball Tournament from 8am to 5pm, February 26, 1994, at Highland Park School, Topeka. For more information please call 832-3451.

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TO HAVE
OR
NOT TO HAVE
TWO LAWRENCE SENIOR
HIGH SCHOOLS
THAT IS THE QUESTION ????????

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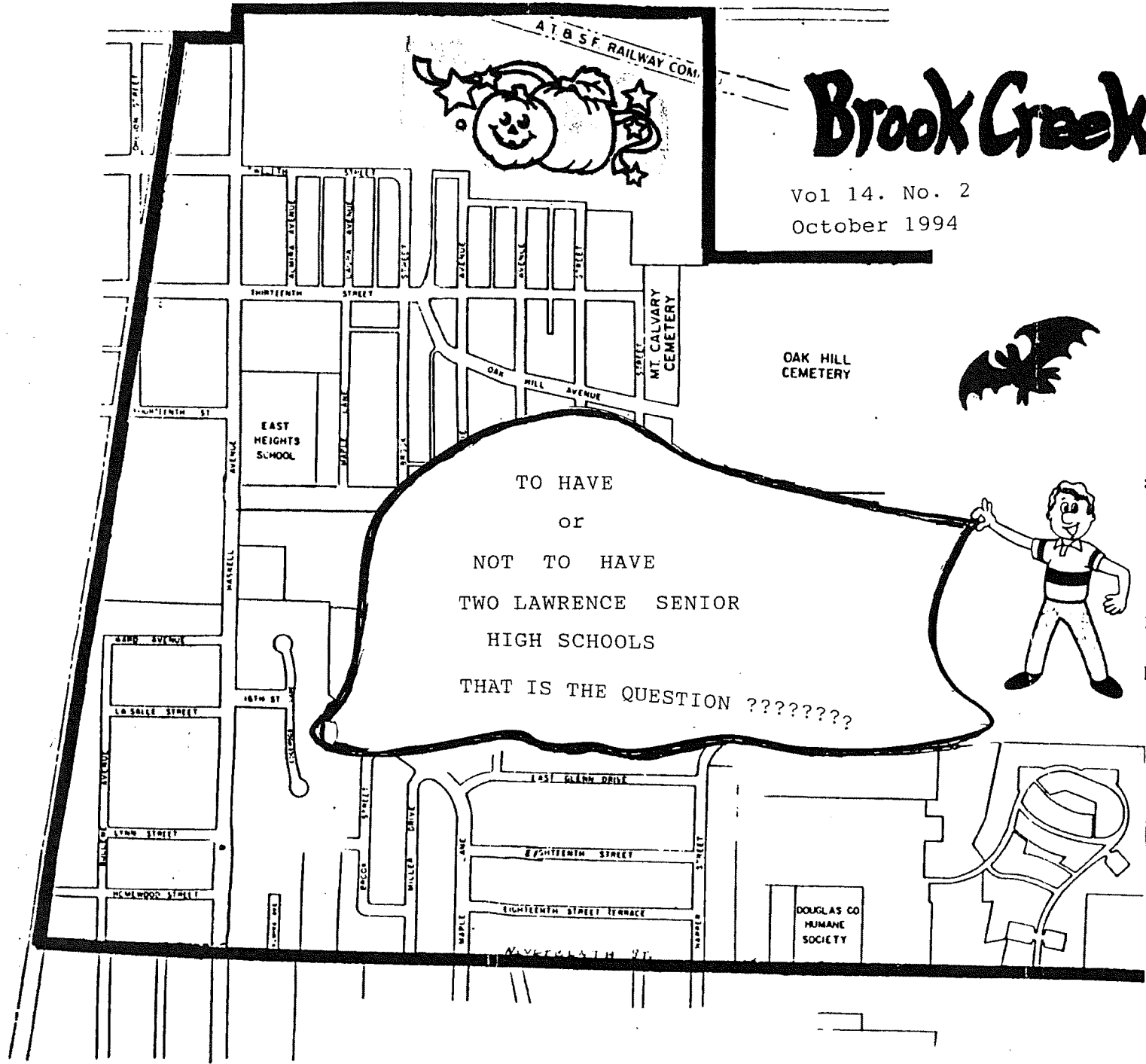
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The following item is quoted from the Lawrence Journal-World.

Proposed County-Wide 1 Cents Sales Tax

On November 8, 1994, Douglas County residents will have an opportunity to vote on a proposal to pass a 1 cent county-wide sales tax.

The proposed 1 cent county-wide sales tax will provide Lawrence residents with (1) property tax relief, (2) 12.2 million in Parks and Recreation improvements, (3) new public facilities for three community health agencies (Douglas County Health Department, Bert Nash Community Mental Health Center, and Douglas County Visiting Nurses Association) and (4) increase the number of beds in the Douglas County Jail. The sales tax will also provide other cities in Douglas County (Baldwin City, Eudora, and Lecompton) with money for annual capital improvements.

Interested to know how LHS ranks in enrollment with high schools in surrounding states. Here are 1993-94 state board of education enrollment figures for the five largest districts in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado and Oklahoma:

1. Cherry Creek, Englewood, Colo., 2,969.
 2. Millard, Omaha, Neb., 2,370.
 3. Chatfield, Littleton, Colo., 2,324.
 4. Millard North, Omaha, 2,296.
 5. Smoky Hill, Aurora, Colo., 2,269.
 6. Jenks, Jenks, Okla., 2,075.
 7. Omaha North, Omaha, 2,051.
 8. Rangeview, Aurora, Colo., 2,049.
 9. Lincoln, Lincoln, Neb., 2,021.
 10. Manhattan, Manhattan, Kan., 2,004.
 11. Wichita East, Wichita, 1,979.
 12. Eaglecrest, Aurora, Colo., 1,962.
 13. Broken Arrow, Broken Arrow, Okla., 1,956.
 14. Putnam City North, Putnam City, Okla., 1,904.
 15. Lincoln NE, Lincoln, Neb., 1,895.
 16. Moore High, Oklahoma City, Okla., 1,882.
 17. Topeka High, Topeka, 1,865.
 18. Lawrence High, Lawrence, 1,849.
 19. Shawnee Mission South, Overland Park, and West Moore, Oklahoma City, Okla., both 1,837.
- Margy Rose,
925 Murrow Ct.

Good ideas are not adopted automatically. They must be driven into practice with courageous

impatience.

1 CENT COUNTY-WIDE SALES TAX VOTE ON NOVEMBER 8TH

For the City of Lawrence

- An addition to the East Lawrence Community Center;
- A major recreation center with an indoor swimming pool;
- A baseball/softball complex;
- Improvements to the Youth Sports Inc. complex;
- Renovation of the Municipal Pool;
- Community and Neighborhood Park Acquisition;
- Park Development - 6 areas;
- A nature and outdoor education center in Prairie Park;
- Bike trail development; and
- City entryway landscape improvements.

We understand that the Brook Creek request has been removed from consideration.

Don Binns appeared before the City Commission at the September 20 City Commission meeting and voiced concerns about a non-conforming use (auto garage) at 1102 East 13th Street. Lee Smith, Zoning Enforcement Officer investigated this complaint and submitted the attached report.

Lee reviewed the site again today, and found that 5 to 6 vehicles have been removed from the site since his contact with the property owner last Tuesday. Car parts and tires that had littered the site have been removed also. The property owner has been given until Tuesday, October 4th to have the site in full compliance. If compliance is not attained, a 10 day notice will be issued.

OPEN FORUM

Oct. 12 EAST LAWRENCE CENTER 7:30 PM

OPEN FORUM concerning the up-coming vote on the high school issue.

Representatives presenting both points of view will be there to present the pros and cons.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Advantages of each situation.
2. Costs
3. Similarities
4. Differences
5. Where will the boundaries be drawn
6. Transportation
7. Curriculums- same or diverse
8. Sports facilities-- teams
9. Libraries - the last two will be the most expensive to duplicate, especially the library.
10. Duplication of personal
11. Duplication of curriculum
If not, can there then be transfers between the two ?
12. Will there be an athletic field for the new school or for both?

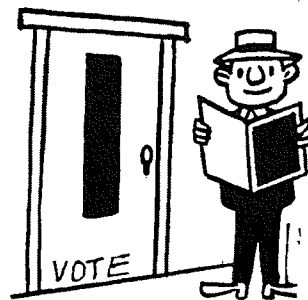
13. Will the present faculty have preference as to where they may be placed
14. If it were decided to change to a four-year high school as many other high schools in the area now are, would there be sufficient room to house them

BROOK CREEK BEAUTIFICATION

We understand that the property at Thirteenth and Oakhill Road was purchased by the city and and since it was so badly damaged by the flood it was removed and the land will be landscaped. At that time the part of the land which the city had promised to landscape with CDBG funds will then become part of the park.

FLU SHOTS

Flu shots will be given at the Senior Center on October 19th and 26th and on Nov. 2 & 9th.



If you don't vote-
DON'T GRIPE !!!!

Where to contact
school officials
if you have
questions

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SCHOOL BOARD

Jerry Hannah, president
4516 Cedar Ridge Ct.,
841-1607; Work: 841-7739\

Harriet Shaffer, vice president
602 W. 28th Pl., 841-2158
Work: 379-0553

George Crawford,
914 E. 1264 Rd., 842-1490
Work: 864-4432

Renee Karr,
1619 W. 28th, 843-0808

Mary Loveland,
3108 Campfire Ct., 842-9333

John Tacha, 408 Homestead,
843-7136; Work: 843-9197

Tom Murray,
Rt. 5, 843-2629
Work: 843-6600

District offices,
3705 Clinton Pkwy.; 832-5000

Al Azinger, superintendent
1616 Alvarado, 842-2307

Robert Taylor,
assistant superintendent
Home: Rt. 2; 842-0432

Bonnie Dunham,
communications coordinator
Home: 2712 Westdale Circle;
842-2423

MEMORANDUM

To: Neighborhood Association Presidents, City Department Heads, Other Interested Parties
From: Lynn A. Goodell, Director of Housing and Neighborhood Development
Subject: 1995 (19th year) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Proposals
Date: September 23, 1994

Enclosed is an information package for persons or entities wishing to submit a proposal for City of Lawrence 1995 CDBG funds (8/01/95-7/31/96). The deadline for submission of proposals is set for December 1, 1994.

The City's 1994 CDBG award from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) was \$1,100,000.00. Current reports from Washington, D.C. indicate that the City can expect about the same funding level for 1995, although funding levels cannot be predicted with any certainty at this time.

HUD continues to scrutinize the percentage of lower income beneficiaries of all area-wide benefit projects. As a result, it is necessary to provide accurate numbers of total project beneficiaries and numbers of lower income beneficiaries. A broad statement citing census data for a neighborhood is no longer sufficient for the purpose of determining project beneficiaries.

We wish to emphasize that any area-wide benefit type of project proposals (such as sidewalks, curbs, bike paths, streets, etc.) should be supported with evidence indicating that affected persons have been informed of or have had a chance to comment on the proposed project. Such proposals should also include evidence of the amount and nature of support for the proposed subject.

Additionally, if projects are proposed that are on or affect public right-of-way, structures, parks, etc. the appropriate City department personnel must be consulted and that information included in the application. HAND staff will reject incomplete applications.

We'd also like to remind potential applicants that consideration should be given to Neighborhood Plans, Plan '95, the Ochsner Report, etc. when formulating project proposals. A 12-year Community Development Block Grant Analysis updated in the Fall of 1989 summarizes neighborhood needs and goals previously identified in such planning documents, and indicates what has been accomplished in individual neighborhoods since 1975. All neighborhood associations have received copies of the 12-year Analysis, and should be considering which needs must still be addressed, and which needs, if yet unaddressed, are no longer important to the neighborhood. Previously identified needs will be considered in making funding recommendations.

You must use the form provided for making a proposal, but supporting information may be attached. Letters of support are not necessary.

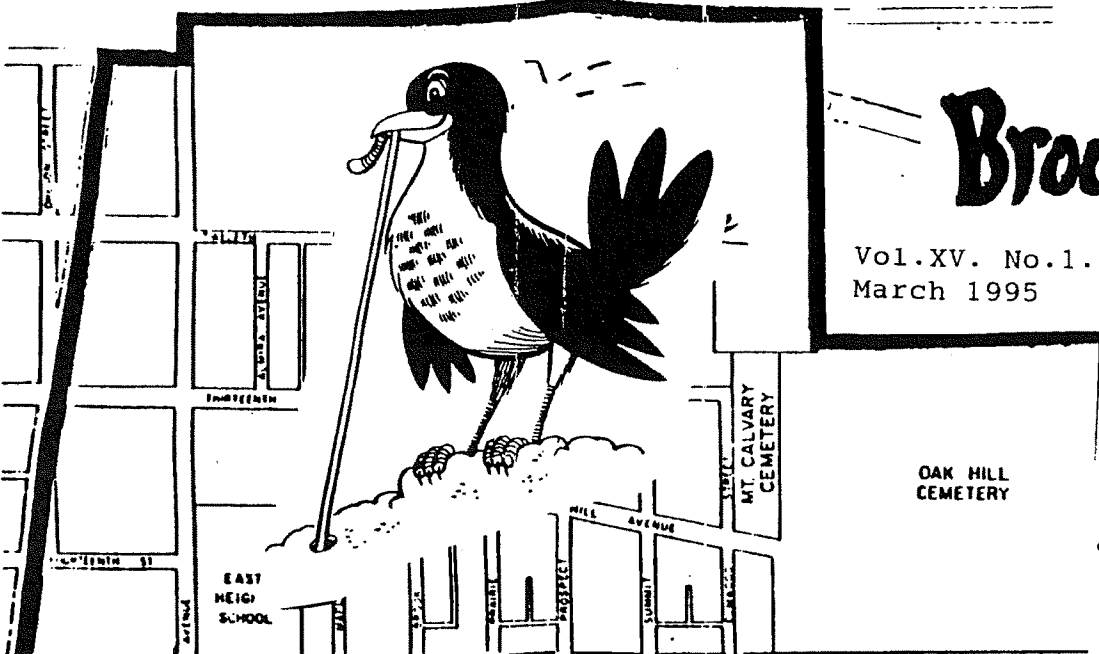
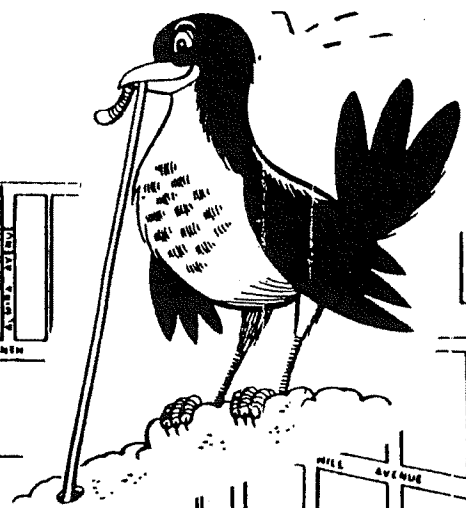
If you have any questions or require additional information, please don't hesitate to contact Margene Swarts or me at 832-3100.

Lynn A. Goodell
Director of Housing and
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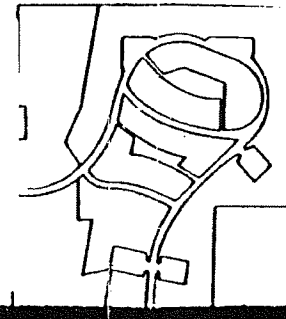
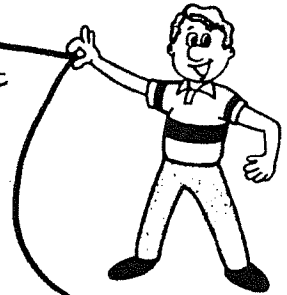
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Nineteenth Street.

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PAINTERS

March 18

to help paint playground equipment at East Heights School.

If you can help ,please, contact Wendy George Call 832-5680.

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SUGGESTIONS -----

What suggestions do you have for the betterment of our community ? Here are a few : crucial ones:

- 1. Hard surface Prospect Ave. from 13th to 15th Street. (this is only one block)
- 2. Repair railroad crossing at 13th St. And the north side of the one on 15th St. If you have suggestions be prepared to present them at the meeting or call 8430471 if you cannot attend.

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V O T E

If you did not vote in the Primary election , be sure to vote April 4. If you are not registered, go to the office of the County Clerk in the Court House . It is really quite painless and it is a privilege as well as a citizen's duty. (If you don't vote you forfeit your right to complain.)

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C O G R A T U L A T I O N S

TO OUR President for his fine showing in the recent primary election . Also to our former neighbor, Kerry Altenbernd.

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CANDIDATE FORUMS

WILL BE HELD AT Cordley School on March 14 and at Deerfield on March 16.

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OREAD'S C D B G Requests

Coordinator Salary	\$	8400
Operating Expenses	\$	5250
Clean-up	\$	425
Handrails	\$	1200
Permit Parking Signs	\$	8100
Tree Planting	\$	3000
Sidewalk Renovation	\$	20000
Dumpster Pads and Screens	\$	3000
Total	\$	49375



EAST HEIGHTS CENTER

City officials are ready to move ahead with a new gym at the East Lawrence Recreation Center — the first of several parks projects to be financed by a new countywide sales tax.

Tuesday night, commissioners are expected to approve hiring Craig Patterson and Associates to provide architectural services for expanding the center to include a new full-sized gymnasium.

The city's \$1 million investment in East Lawrence will be money well spent, Mayor Jo Andersen said.

"You've got a neighborhood with a lot of at-risk children," she said. "These are kids that don't have a tennis court or a swimming pool in their back yard, and this shows these kids that this community really cares about them."

The new center could be finished by the summer of 1996.

A new gym is the only specific improvement set at the East Lawrence center. Other possibilities — converting the old gym to racquetball courts, for example — would be decided after meeting with neighbors and representatives from the Lawrence Indian Center and Edgewood Homes, City Manager Mike Wildgen said.

Does Brook Creek Neighborhood Association where the Center is located have no input in this matter?

Please call Mr. Wildgen and question this. Are we not to be allowed access? When Holcomb was completed all programs were removed from the Center. Phone 832 3400

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Journal World Quotes