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CENTER

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:Issues discussed explore community development, the East Lawrence Center. and any other concerns you or your neighbors wish to present..

Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month except July and August, from 7:30 to 9 PM at the East Lawrence Center at 15th and Brook. PLEASE COME !!!

Officers are: President Don Binns Vice Pres. Goldie Harmon Rachel Grantham Bob Eggert Treas.

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Any of the above persons will be glad to accept your dues.

PLEASE JOIN!!!!

SCHOOOL ELECTION

WAKE UP !!

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Hibernation time is over ! It is time for us to be active in the community again! Come to the forum with your questions regarding the administration of our schools and find out how the candidates answer these questions. They are your schools for your children. It is your responsibility to elect those people who will carry out your wishes.

Let's increase, yes, let's double at least, the voting power beyond last election.

We do not have majority rule if the majority does not vote. If you do not vote, you have no right to complain!!

The candidates who are willing to serve you will be there !!! Will you ? ? ?

Be sure that you are registered. If you are in doubt, go to the county clerks office in the fourt House and

register before March 15. If you are going to be out of town or cannot get to the polls because of your work, go to the county clerk; soffice and vote absentee before the 15th. If you are unable to get to the polls because of health reasons, call 841-7700 and you will receive a ballot through the mail. You really have no excuse for not voting except your own indifference. In other countries people are literally fighting for the right to vote !!!!

Oh yes, the election is April 2. That is the first April: Tuesday. Our forum is March 13 at the East Lawrence Center.

WHAT TO DO THIS SUMMER ?

We hope some one will plan for a young soccer team to make use of our soccer field. Nets are available from Parks and Recreation at the Community building upon request.

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SPRING CLEAN_UP TIME

April is spring clean up time. Remember- On Wednesday you can have over-sized trash picked up just by calling 841-1911

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If you have delapidated sheds or garages which you would like to have removed, call the City Community development office- 841-7722.

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DESERT STORM

If you have or had someone involved in DESERT STORM let us know. We should have a Brook Creek Honor Roll.

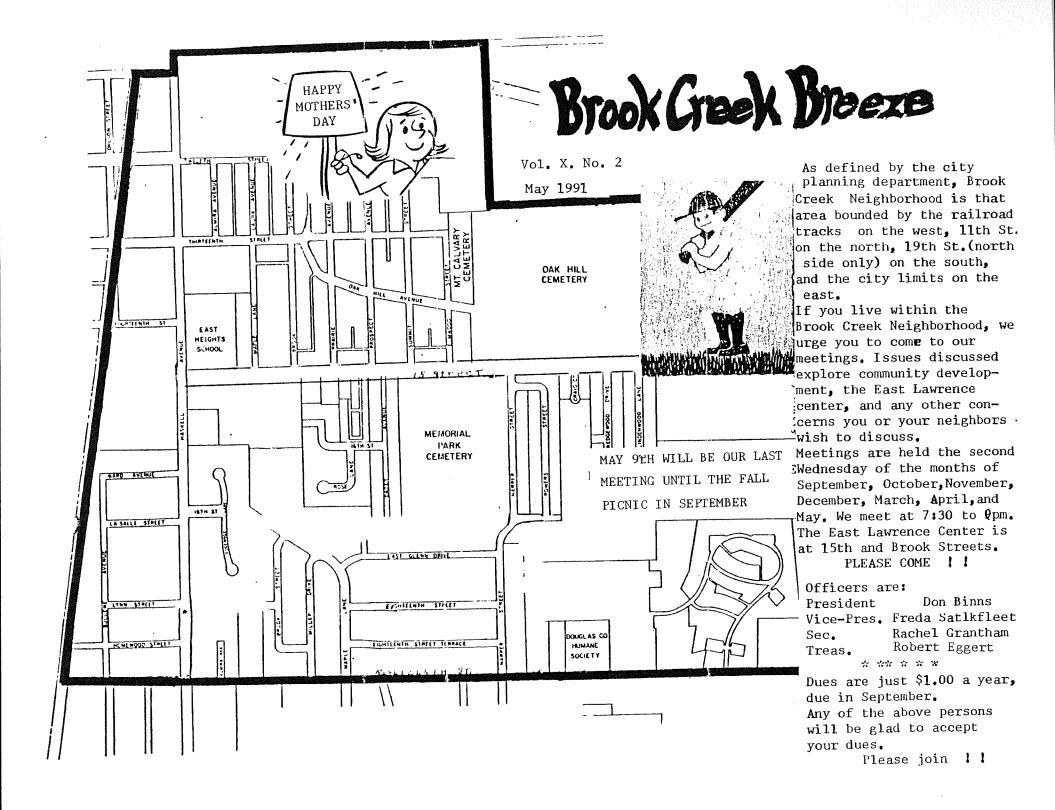
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Dorothy Roper has had knee surgery. We wish her well and hope she is soon on foot.

Are you recycling ?







SRING FIX-UP

Are you interested in some help to improve the appearence of your home ?

The Community Development Association can give you a boost financially. The City Commission is very favorable toward this program.

If you and the neighbors in your block wish to paint your houses, repair steps, walks or porches, : landscape a bit, or other minor minor improvements . the C D B G program will share the cost with you.

There are no income restrictions, and no loans.

This program has been and is being carried out in other neighborhoods in the city. It is a program for renters as well as home owners.

Come to our meeting at the East Lawrence Center
May 8 and find out more about it in detail and exactly
how to apply and carry out the program.

There is also an interest free loan program available for larger repairs and improvements on your home if you own it.

Also be advised that delapidated buildings and dead trees in our neighborhood will be removed by the city upon request.

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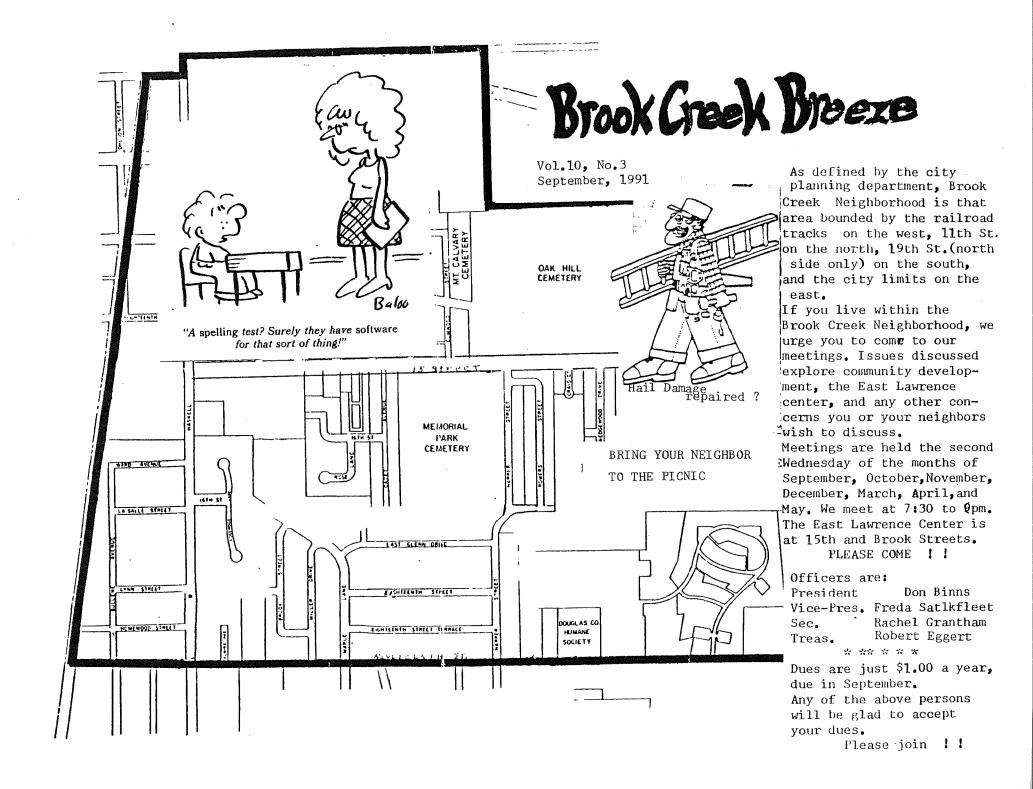
LAWN MOWING

Need your lawn mowed ? Jason is ready ! Call Jason Stalkfleet at 843-8009.

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Recycling Service 3009 W. 28th Street Lawrence, Kansas 66047 842-1167

- Our weekly curtside pickup fee is \$3.00 a month. To begin service, please send \$9.00 for the first quarter. You will be billed for quarterly payments thereafter. For your convenience, you may pay for more than one quarter at a time.
- Along with #2 plastic and milk and soda bottles, we also take #1 beverage containers, #4 plastic, and plastic bags.
- If you think you were missed, please call and someone will come by. We guarantee pickup if your recycleables are out by the time stated on the flier (9 am on week days, noon on Sat.). Please don't take it back in if it isn't picked up by 5 pm. The routes sometimes take longer.
- If it is raining, please cover with plastic or wait until the next pickup day to leave things out.
- There are no pickups on major holidays: New Year's Day, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Iabor Day, Thanksgiving and the friday following, or Christmas Day. Your things will be picked up the next scheduled pickup day.



IN NUMBERS THERE IS STRENGTH

I sometimes wonder how much more could be accomplished if we had two or three hundred members instead of the 50 members that we have.

It is remarkable what we have accomplished with the few members that we have. If we could somehow convince you that it is important for the quality of life in our neighborhood that we must show unity and strength to get the most out of available funds, I am sure that more of you would join our group.

If you need convincing, call one of our members and ask. Fifty people out of 700 households is a very poor showing.

Donald Binns
President.

P.S. If this doesn't work, what does it take to convince you?

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MEMBERS ! !

Do you come to meetings only when you want the influence of the association? How about coming to help you neighbor when he has a request? A majority is necessary for a formal request.

Editor

SENIOR CENTER COUPONS

Did you know that, if you take your food coupons to the Senior Center, members of A A R P will take them to the grocery stores and attach them to packages of products and when redeemed by the buyer at the checkout stands, the Senior Center will receive the amount of the coupon? About \$5,000 has been raised this year for the Center through this program.

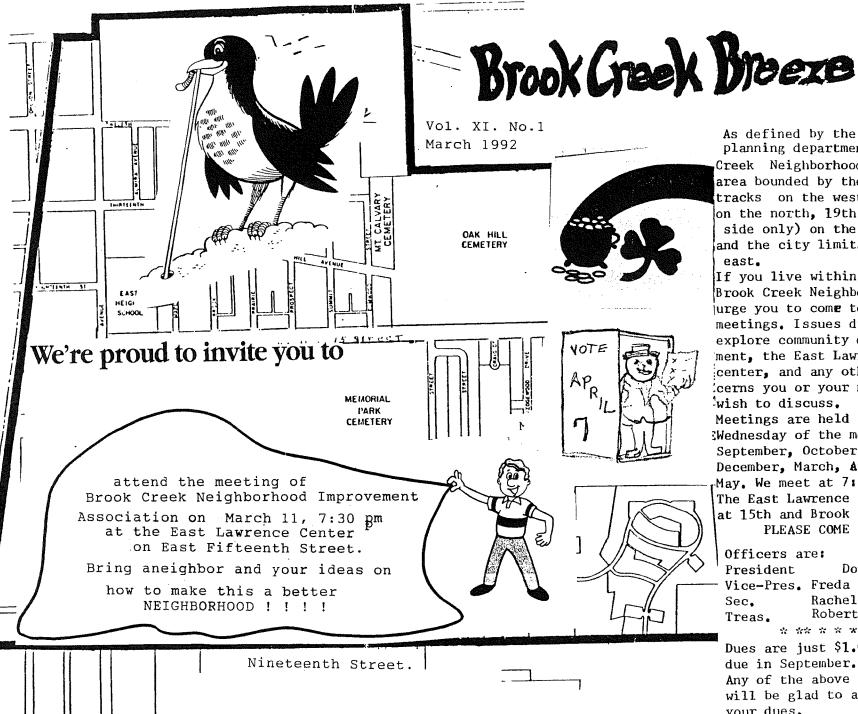
Please contribute!!

PICNIC



The annual MEMBERSHIP picnic will be held at Brook Creek Park, September 13, at 6:30 pm for members and prospective members.

Meat and drinks will be furnished. Bring a covered dish and your table service. Dues for the coming year may be paid at that time to be ahead of Santa's demands for your \$\$\$s. Remember- no inflation. Dues are still \$1.00. No other representation is so inexpensive.



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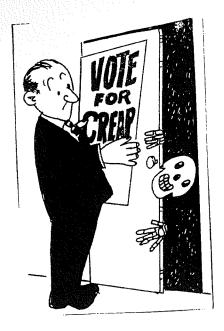
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VOTE ! VOTE ! VOTE !

Be sure to register to vote before April 5. If you do not vote during a presidental election, your name will be removed from the roll and you will have to register again. If you are new in town or have moved since you last voted, even just across the street, it will be necessary for you to register. If you are uncertain call or go to the County Clerk's office or call 841-7700(After 5 call 841-0129).

IF YOU DO NOT VOTE YOU HAVE FORFEITED YOU RIGHT TO COMPLAIN!

If months had character,
March's would be:

Undependable. Not particularly neat. More wind than substance. Lots of energy but alas unharnessed. Basically a dreamer.

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

impatience.

BECOME A MEMBER ! !

This is your opportunity to make your needs and ideas known to the city commission. There is a list too long to quote here which Brook Creek Neighborhood Association has accomplished for you and of which many of you may not be aware.

Dues are just \$1 a year. Where else can ypu get so much for a "buck" a year?

Remember the date- Wednesday, March 11.

SUCCESS AT LAST

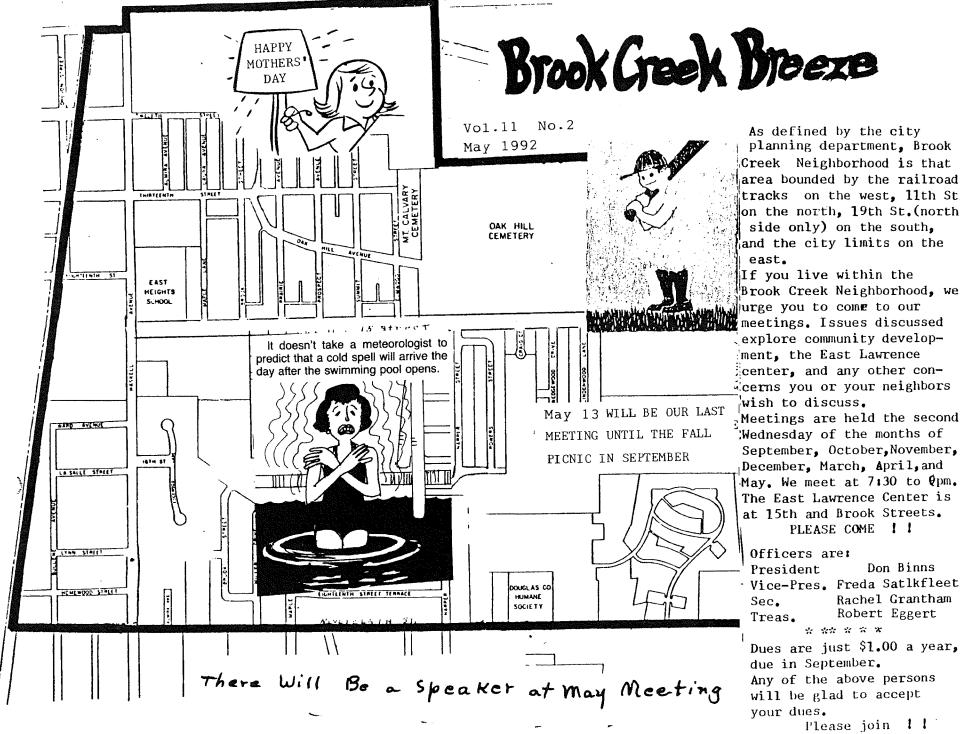
The bathrooms at Brook Creek Park are comleted and the basket ball pad and goal is in place. You see wishes are sometimes granted.

The Community Development Board has not yet considered the requests for this year. But be prepared to mention those things which you wish to have discussed for the coming year.

With the coming of an early spring, let us remind you that a riding lawn mower is available for the use of neighborhood members. It is at the home of Don Binns, the president, at East Glen Drive and Cadet Street.

Is there some service that you think of that that would be desirable for our own community? Perhaps a neighbor could help or share with you. Perhaps there are services that we all could share. You do not have to go through the Volunteer Bureau- come to you neighbors.

Do you need a home to share or have a home which you would like to share with someone? Call the Senior Center at 842-0543. Or if you need minor repairs or small services, call them. They perform many services of which you may not be aware.



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PLANNING

We would like your input as to the types of programs you would prefer for next year.

What neighborhood improvements would you like to have presented to the Community Development committee for next year?

Our new member on the CDBG advisory committee will be Vernon Burkett. We welcome him and will profit from his influence and knowledge.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

A request has been made to build house for Habitat on lot 107, Fairfax addition, the second lot north of E.13th Street on the east side of Prairie Avenue.

Saturday May 30

9:00 am to 4:00 pm



Family Fun Fair

-Non-fossil fuel parade.

-Children's Conference. .

-Contest and Awards...

-Displays and Exhibits.

-Special Events...

Where: Douglas County Fair Grounds 2120 Harper Street, Lawrence Kansas

Special Events and Dates to Remember

May 23 -- Municipal Pool opens

June 1 -- Carl Knox Pool begins summer hours

June 3 -- Wednesday evening concerts begin at Gazebo in South Park

June 4 -- Thursday noon Brown Bag Concerts begin at 9th and Mass.

June 8th -- (week of) -- Summer Parks and Recreation classes begin

June 8 to July 17 -- Summer Playgrounds

June 15 to July 17 -- Day camps

OUESTIONS for DISCUSSION

Shall we make a request to Community Development to have the Model Block program amended to allow for single houses rather than afew in one block?

Have any of you considered running for a city office? Our area has not been represented for several years in any city capacity. It is about our turn to have a voice.

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CITY BUDGET

The 1992 city budget for all areas will be on display for you to look at and discuss.

CITYWIDE CLEANUP

Let's all "pitch in" and clean up our yards and gardens. Special pick-ups can be arranged for trees, brush, and large items. Number to call for this service is 841-1911.

PHBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Their plans for improvement projects for the summer for our area include completion of rect rooms and basket ball court in Brook Creek: Ik and a traffic light at 23rd and Harper.

NEWS

Please, call 843-0471 if you have news which you would like to have included in the Newsletter. Or if you have services which you wish to offer or have need for.

MOWING ?

Remember-the neighborhood mower is available at Mr. Binns house at 1402 East?Glenn Drive or call 843 9390.

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BROOK CREEK

NEIGHBORHOOD

BROOK CREEK PARK 13th St. at Oakhill September 9, 6:30 pm

Bring a covered dish and your table service. Drinks and meat will be furnished. COME and meet your neighbors. If you are new to the neighborhood, we extend you a special welcome.

SPEAKERS

Our September meeting will provide two interesting speakers: Brad Tate, principal of the High School and Tom Murray from the Board of Education will bring us up to date on current school affairs.

The Board would like to hear from any and all about who you would like to have address us at our meetings and what topics you would like to have discussed.

Brook Creek Neighborhood Association is exactly what the name states. It is concerned with the welfare of the entire area. It is a channel for getting information to you from the city and in turn making

neighborhood needs evident to the city commission.

It also prepares and presents projects suggested by the members to the commission in charge of Federal funding for neighborhood projects, such as drainage, street repairs, sidewalks, water lines, and tree plantings.

Now, if we do not have enough members to carry on our representation we do not know what the neighborhood needs and we will lose the benefits available to us, and "YOU" are one of those important to carrying on our organization. It is necessary to have a concensus of the neighborhood before requesting improvements. Those neighborhoods with strong memberships are the ones receiving the most benefits.

If you have had YOUR problem solved, don't stop coming- be there to help your neighbor as he was there to help you.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Some benefits which we have been able to get through our efforts have been: The East Lawrence Center Building, paving of 15th St., sidewalks the length of 15th Street; playground equipment for BrookCreek and Edgewood Parks; a fountain and restroom facilities at Brook Creek Park, trees and shrubs for some parkings, water lines along Oakhill and Thirteenth Streets. What suggestions do you have?

MEETINGS

Meetings are held the second Wednesday in the month at the East Lawrence Center, 15th at Brook St. at 7:30 in the evenings in the months of September through June. Dues are \$1.00 per year due in September. Officers are:

President- Don Binns
Vice Pres. Freda Stalkfleet
Secretary Rachel Grantham
Treasurer Robert Eggert

HOME BUYERS

If you are interested in purchasing a home for not more than \$63,000, and do not have the money for a down payment, Community Development has some funds available interest free in conjunction with some of the banks in Lawrence, which would enable you to meet the down payment.

Would you like to have the plan discussed at a future meeting ? Let us know. Call 843-0471.

So - - - Bring your dishes, your children, your neighbor, and your dues (\$1) and be there September 9. We will WELCOME you.

A SMILE SAYS A LOT

A smile's a warm expression that has the nicest way Of telling all the special thoughts our hearts would like to say It says "I'm glad I'm friends with you". It says "I think you're grand and when you're feeling all alone it says, "I understand". It happens when you hear good news bout someone nice you know. It happens when you're all dressed up and have some place to go. There really isn't very much a smile can't do. It says, "thank you" when a friend of yours does something just for you. And when you do something thoughtful (as you've often done for me The smile that says "you're welcome" is as warm as it can be. And sometimes best friends disagree about silly stuff- and then The smile that says"I'm sorry will patch things up again. A smile's a happy little curve that has a magic way of straightening up andbrightening up even a cloudy day. And when a smile gets extra large from some extra fun-filled joys- Then we call it laughter- a smile making a noise. But sometimes when we're busy we forget the way a smile can make every thing we're doing even more worthwhile. And since smiles arethe sunshine the world can't do without Heres hoping that you'll always find a lot to smile about.