

A Publication of the North Lawrence Improvement Association

## Neighborhood Potluck Picnic to be September 9

The North Lawrence Improvement Association will sponsor a neighborhood potluck picnic Saturday, September 9 at 6 pm. in Lyon Park, located at 7th and Lyon Street.

All North Lawrence residents and business persons are invited to attend and bring a potluck dish, table service and chairs. Drinks will be furnished.

Please bring enough of one dish to feed the number of people in your family. The following suggested menu will help assure a variety of foods:

last name starts with	brings
А-L.	main dish
Ј-Q.	dessert
R-Z. Salad o	r vegetables

Playground equipment will be available for the children. We hope you will be able to join us for a final fling before fall. ###

## Neighborhood Cleanup Scheduled Oct. 21st & 28th

The annual fall neighborhood cleanup, sponsored by the North Lawrence Improvement Association, will be conducted Saturday, Oct. 21 and Saturday, Oct. 28. Trash, brush, and other refuse will be picked up on the south side of the Union Pacific tracks on Oct. 21 and on the north side of the U. P. tracks Oct. 28.

Lawrence Public Works crews will be picking up the trash. The crews will start early each Saturday, so please have your trash at the normal pickup point Friday night. Elderly and disabled wishing assistance in getting trash to the pickup point may call 841-5946. Please call far enough in advance so that you can be scheduled for assistance by volunteers.

The N.L.I.A. encourages recycling. Glass, plastic, aluminum, newspaper, and metal can be recycled. There may be money in that trash. Check before you throw it away. Persons with questions about recycling may call Patricia Marvin at 841-7722, extension 119, or 842-7385. Ms. Marvin is the city's recycling coordinator and is interested in recycling suggestions and individuals who are composting.

This spring, the N.L.I.A. became the first neighborhood to use a chipper for the removal of brush. The experiment was very successful and you are responsible for that success. Unfortunately, there is not enough money to hire the chipper for this cleanup. However, the chipper will be used in next spring's cleanup. Two other neighborhoods have taken North Lawrence's lead and have scheduled chippers for use in their cleanups. Congratulations! Once again, you have proven that North Lawrence residents are leaders.

## N. 4th & Locust School Beacon to be Installed

A flashing pedestrian crossing beacon will be installed soon at N. 4th and Locust. Many North Lawrence businesses, residents and friends contributed to the successful drive sponsored by the Woodlawn P.T.O. and the North Lawrence Improvement Association. Since the last newsletter, a contribution was received from Midway USA. Please thank them and the other contributors:  $FMC_{i}$ Lawrence Ready Mix, Mobile Estates North, Woodlawn P.T.O., David L. Hardister Painting Fayman, æ Decorating, Riverfront Square Investors, Jayhawk Siding, Miracle Video 1 & Too, N.L.I.A., Roger's Food Center, I.O.O.F. Lodge #4, Sheet Rock Construction, Kaw Motor & Salvage, Viola & Bob Howard, Marguerite & Fred Johnson, Patsy & Bob Moody, Ichabod's, Maxine & Jack Lee, Julia & Willis Bond, and Marci Francisco.

North Lawrence has reason to be proud. We were the only group to raise 50 percent of the cost of the beacon as required by the city. You have been commended by the city commissioners and administrators. And you have been the envy of other local organizations. THANK YOU!!

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Stoplight at N. 2nd & Lyon Sought by N. L. I. A.

The North Lawrence Improvement Assoc. is trying to convince the City and the State that a stoplight is necessary at the intersection of N. 2nd and Lyon streets. N. L. I. A. believes a controlled intersection is needed on the north side of the U. P. tracks to allow for safe access to N. 2nd Street.

Ks. Dept. of Transportation approval is required because N. 2nd is a state highway. KDOT recently completed a study which concluded the intersection met a required warrant for installation of a stoplight. However, KDOT did not recommend the placement of the signal and the city's Traffic Safety Commission agreed. The item is on the September 12 City Commission's agenda.

N.L.L.A. is undertaking a petition drive in hopes of convincing the City Commission and our state representatives of our need for a safe intersection on N. 2nd north of the tracks. Several volunteers will go door-todoor in the next few days seeking your support on the petition. Please sign if you agree. Additionally, your presence at the Sept. 12 City Commission meeting will assist in convincing the Commission of the need. If you are not approached with a petition and wish to sign, please call 841-5946.



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## Mark May 19 on calendar for Neighborhood Picnic

The North Lawrence Improvement Association will sponsor a neighborhood potluck picnic Saturday, May 19, at 6 p.m. in John Taylor Park, 7th and Walnut.

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The N.L.I.A. salutes Woodlawn School & I.O.O.F. Lodge #4. Woodlawn has allowed us to meet at the school free of charge for years. This required school staff to open and close the building. Recently, the Odd Fellows offered us free use of their hall at 615 Lincoln. The members of the N.L.I.A., feeling that we had imposed on the school long enough, accepted the Odd Fellows' offer. We have great gratitude to Gary Haworth, Woodlawn Principal, and the Odd Fellows for their hospitality. THANK YOU SO MUCH !!!!!!

## May 5th & 12th Scheduled for Neighborhood Cleanup

The Spring neighborhood cleanup, sponsored by the N.L.I.A., will be Sat., May 5, & Sat., May 12. Brush, trash & other refuse will be collected on the south side of the Union Pacific tracks on May 5 and north of the U. P. tracks on May 12.

Mulford's Tree Service, 845 Maple, has agreed to provide brush chipping for the cleanup. Please stack the limbs & brush separately from the trash but at the normal pickup area. Butt ends of the limbs should be facing the street or alley. Remove all metal, glass or rock from the brush. This will allow for faster, safer brush removal. The resulting wood chips will be free for the taking after 2 p.m. each Saturday in the park at N. 4th & Walnut, Wood chips make excellent mulch in flower beds and gardens. We thank Mulford's Tree Service for their help.

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## N. 2nd & Lyon Stuplight Nears Reality

The Ks. Department of Transportation recently recommended installation of a stoplight at N. 2nd & Lyon streets. The N.L.I.A. sought city and state approval of this project last fall.

No date has been set for installation of the stoplight, but it is hoped it will be in by the end of the year. Engineering, purchasing of equipment, and installation do take time.

Thanks are extended to Sen. Wint Winter, Rep. Betty Jo Charlton, the City Commissioners, & city staff for their help in convincing K.D.O.T. the stoplight was necessary. The biggest thanks go to the volunteers who carried a petition and those 900 persons who signed it. ANOTHER NORTH LAWRENCE SUCCESS STORY.

## \*\*\* Woodlawn Notes Volunteers Sought, Many Ways to Help

Woodlawn School is seeking volunteers who would like to either work with children or assist the school in another way. Several North Lawrence residents find their volunteer efforts to be quite rewarding. For information, contact Gary Haworth at 843-4686.

The Woodlawn Family Carnival is scheduled for the evening of May 11. Fun for kids of all ages, 1 to 101.



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## Participation is Key to Success

Several recent projects of the N.L.I.A. have been successful. The key ingredient of those successes is the participation of North Lawrence residents and businesses. Several residents carried petitions for the stoplight at N. 2nd and Lyon and 4way stop signs at N. 3rd and Lincoln. Numerous residents and businesses contributed money for the school beacons at N. 4th and Locust. Cleanups have given the neighborhood a tidy look. Union Pacific donated the depot at its present location to the city. Sidewalks have been constructed to allow for safe pedestrian passage. The key point is that these projects would not have happened had it not been for residents and businesses donating time and money.

The N.L.I.A. represents all of North Lawrence. Sometimes, unfortunately, the good for the entire neighborhood overrides individual concerns, but it is never our intent to create problems. Our goal is to solve them. You can help by becoming a member of the N.L.I.A. Your \$1 yearly dues assist and give more strength to our voice at City Hall. \$1 is a small yearly investment in your neighborhood. Please send your \$1, name & address to N.L.I.A., 539 Elm, Lawrence, KS 66044.



The Missing Piece Is YOU!

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## Neighborhood Cleanup set for Oct. 20 & 27 Wood Chips free to residents

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## Forum to Discuss School & Road Bond Issues Oct. 8 I.O.O.F. Hall, 615 Lincoln

The N.L.I.A. will sponsor a forum October 8 at 7 p.m. at the I.O.O.F. Hall, 615 Lincoln, to discuss the three bond issues on the upcoming ballot in November. The South Lawrence Trafficway, the Eastern Parkway, and the New High School Bond issue will be examined. Proponents and opponents will make presentations, followed by question and answer sessions.

The N.L.I.A. neither supports nor opposes any of the bond issues. It is the intent of the N.L.I.A. to provide opportunity for individuals to become educated, informed voters.

The October 8 meeting is the regular monthly meeting of the N.L.I.A. The N.L.I.A. meets the second Monday of the month at the I.O.O.F. Hall at 7 p.m. Membership is \$1 yearly and is open to any North Lawrence business or resident. We welcome your involvement in your neighborhood.

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The Woodlawn P.T.O. is again sponsoring a pizza and burrito sale to benefit the school. The sale will extend through October 5. If you have not been contacted by a Woodlawn student and wish to support the school by purchasing delicious pizza or burritos, please contact Woodlawn School at 843-4686.



## Health Care Accoss Provides Medical Care through Volunteer Efforts

Everyone knows that medical costs have skyrocketed. Insurance is expensive, and even if one has insurance, the deductible is high and the policy does not cover everything.

Health Care Access has formed to deal with this situation. Its' philosophy is that health care is a right, and not a privilege of those who can afford it. Health Care Access provides services to individuals and families whose health needs are not being met by public or private health care plans.

Health Care Access exists because of impressive community-wide sup-All aspects of the health port. care profession donate their time and resources to provide health care to the medically indigent. Services include acute dental care, a twice weekly health clinic, prescription assistance, and referrals to specialists and dieticians when necessary. Lawrence Memorial Hospital donates radiological lab and services. Clinic space is donated by Lawrence Housing Authority. Social service agencies volunteer their time by screening for eligibility and arranging appointments.

Appointments may be made at any of the following agencies: Ballard Center, 842-0729; Red Cross, 843-3550; ECKAN, 841-3557; Independence, Inc., 841-0333; Lawrence Indian Center, 841-7202; and Salvation Army, 843-4188. If you have any questions or would like to become involved in health care concerns in Lawrence, call Health Care Access at 841-5760. *Emlly Bono* 

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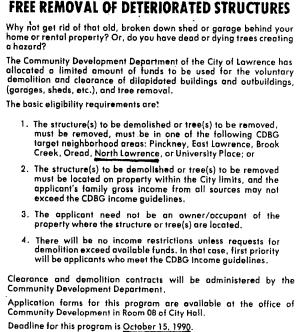
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## Wood! wn School Notes

Woodlawn School is emphasizing North Lawrence pride and history this year. It will be common to see students investigating the neighborhood and talking with residents about our history. Interested persons are invited to attend a school assembly presented by Steve Jansen, Director of the Dg. Co. Historical Society, Wednesday, Oct. 10, at 12:15 in the gym. Please help pass our history onto our future.

Woodlawn School needs volunteers. There are many ways to help, both in the classroom and out. No person is too old and volunteers find the work extremely rewarding. If you can give as little as one hour per month, please call Woodlawn at 843-4686.

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If you have any further questions, please call 841-7722, ext. 100.

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## Neighborhood Potluck Picnic to be May 18

The North Lawrence Improvement Association will sponsor a neighborhood potluck picnic Saturday, May 18, at John Taylor Park, located at 6th and Walnut.

All North Lawrence residents and business persons are invited to attend. Please bring a potluck dish, table service and lawn chairs. Drinks will be furnished by Roger's Food Center, 2nd & Lincoln. Please thank them the next time you shop.

The following suggested menu will help assure a variety of foods:

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<u>Brings</u>

<u>AI</u>	, <u>Main Dish</u>
<u>JQ</u>	<u>Dessert</u>
<u>RZ</u>	<u>Salad or Vegetable</u>

Playground equipment will be available for the children. Members of the City Commission, County Commission and city staff are invited guests. Please accept this as a personal invitation to attend an old-fashioned neighborhood picnic designed to start the summer off right.

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WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US!!!

## Cleanup for all of North Lawrence to be May 1

The annual spring neighborhood cleanup, sponsored by the N.L.I.A., will be Wednesday, May 1. Please note several changes in the cleanup this year. Both sides of the tracks will be picked up on the same day.

We are experimenting with having the cleanup on Wednesday for several reasons. Several neighbors wanted a full weekend to clean and get trash ready for disposal. Perhaps most impor-

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tant is that it saves taxpayer dollars. The cleanup is funded by Community Development and by having the cleanup on Wednesday, we avoid paying for overtime. We hope these changes will work for your benefit.

Lawrence Public Works crews will start picking up the trash early Wednesday, so please have your trash at the normal pickup point Tuesday evening. Trash can be placed out earlier and some of it may be picked up with the normal route Tuesday. Large and bulk items will not be picked up until Wednesday. Elderly and disabled wishing assistance in getting trash to the pickup point may call 841-5946. Please call far enough in advance so that volunteers can be scheduled.

A recent addition to our cleanup has become very popular and will be offered again this spring. *Mulford's Tree Service* will chip limbs and brush for use as wood chips. Please place all limbs with the butt end facing the pickup area. Remove all foreign objects, such as glass and metal. The chips will be available for use at the park at 4th & Walnut.

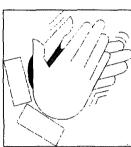
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## A Round of Applause

Several individuals, businesses and organizations deserve a round of applause and a thank you for their help in making North Lawrence a better place to live.

The Woodlawn Elementary School students and staff recently joined in the North Lawrence cleanup by cleaning the rights-of-way of several of our streets. What an excellent neighborhood school we have!

The Woodlawn P.T.O. coordinated



the new school sign. Stephen's Real Estate, Charlton Manley Insurance, Douglas County Bank, the Woodlawn Student Council, and the Woodlawn P.T.O. donated cash for a great sign.

THANK YOU

Harry Shafer and Gary Haworth donated their time and effort

in installing the new school sign. *Roger's Food Center* allowed the N.L.I.A. to use their store to inform customers of the Association's activities and solicit members.

The City staff has included N. 7th Street from Elm to North Street in this year's street overlay program. Locust Street from N. 3rd to N. 7th will be getting new curb and gutter this summer. The stop light at N. 2nd & Lyon will be installed this summer.

Many individuals have planted new flowers and landscaping, further proving that North Lawrence is the garden spot of Lawrence. Hundreds of neighbors have done

Hundreds of neighbors have done good turns for their neighbors just because. That's what make North Lawrence the best part of the city.

The faculty of Woodlawn works hard every day to give our children that extra chance to be successful.

Please thank anybody who is mentioned above. They are working to make North Lawrence as good as it can be. While you're at it, thank yourselves for being a good North Lawrence neighbor. ###

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## **Depot Work to Begin Soon**

Restoration work will soon begin on the Union Pacific Depot. The Depot Management Board has approved a phased plan which would return the depot grounds to the attraction it once was. The Depot, once restored, will house a community meeting room and offices for the United Way. The restoration will include the replacement of the Depot's magnificent 31 foot spire, as well as several other features of the original design.

The long-term plan also calls for the demolition of the freight depot and the fertilizer mixing plant, located on the north and south side of Locust at N. 2nd. A beautiful garden is planned on the north side of Locust; while the south side will have a parking lot for the Farmer's Market and Riverfront Park.

Fundraising efforts will begin this spring. The project will require investment from both public and private sources. Members of the Depot Management Board would be happy to speak to any organizations or individuals regarding this important North Lawrence project. Please call 841-5946 for more information.



## Survey Results are Good

A recent City of Lawrence survey indicates North Lawrence residents are pleased with their neighborhood & the N.L.I.A. North Lawrence & the N.L.I.A. rated best in several questions posed to 5 older neigh-Almost 66% of borhood residents. North Lawrence respondents felt good about North Lawrence. Nearly 83% were aware of the N.L.I.A. and twothirds felt the N.L.I.A.'s effectiveness was good to excellent. However, only 18%, one of the lowest totals, are members of the N.L.I.A. Join and work with us.

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## Cleanup for all of North Lawrence to be Oct. 16

The fall neighborhood cleanup, sponsored by the N.L.I.A., will be Wednesday, October 16. All of North Lawrence will be picked up on the same day. Our one day pickup experiment last spring was very successful.

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N.L.I.A. encourages recycling. Lonnie's Recycling will pick up metal if the metal is separated from the rest of the trash. Please remember metal, aluminum, glass, oil, plastic, newspaper and styrofoam can be recycled. Please do so.

Please secure refrigerators and freezers so children cannot become trapped.

## Woodlawn P.T.O. Raising Playground Equip. Funds

Woodlawn Elementary School students are selling several items for the P. T. O. fund raiser. The fund raiser is scheduled through October 7. The goal is to raise enough money to buy additional playground equipment. The students are selling a variety of items, such as meats, cheeses, cookies, candies, stationery, gift wrap, cards and ribbon. If you have not been contacted by a Woodlawn student and would like to support the school, please call Sandy Sharp at 843-4686 or stop by the Woodlawn office to look at a brochure. Your support is greatly appreciated. \*\*\*

## N.L.I.A. Meeting Scheduled Oct. 14 - 7 p.m., I.O.O.F Hall Price Banks, Director of

Planning for Lawrence & Douglas County, will be the guest at the next N.L.I.A. meeting, Monday, Oct. 14, at the I.O.O.F. Hall, 615 Lincoln, at 7 p.m. Mr. Banks will discuss Horizon 2020, a planning document which will guide the city and county growth through the year 2020. The plan will contain basic policies for land use and general policies for public sys-Also on the agenda is tems. the election of officers. The N.L.I.A. is open to any North Lawrence resident or business person. Membership is \$1 per year. Please feel free to contact any of the officers if you have questions about the organization.

N.L.I.A. OFFICERS

## Oct. 5 River Area Cleanup Volunteers Sought

The N.L.I.A., in cooperation with the City of Lawrence and Jayhawk Beverage, is co-sponsoring a river area cleanup on Saturday, Oct. 5. Three sites, including the Eighth & Oak boat ramp area in North Lawrence, have been targeted for cleanup. The cleanup efforts will focus on the removal of litter and trash. It will include recycling as much of the material as possible. Each site will have a supervisor to direct the volunteers' efforts. A picnic will follow. If you wish to support this effort by volunteering, please call Patricia Marvin at 832-3036. ###

## FREE ENERGY SAVING IMPROVEMENTS

CITY OF LAWRENCE CAN HELP HOMEOWNERS SAVE SS\$ ON ENERGY BILLS The City of Lawrence has money available to pay for weatherizing homes in the city.

Improvements can include: + Attic Insulation

• Storm Windows

• Weatherstripping of Doors Grants for these improvements will be made to eligible homeowners. No repayment for this assistance is required. Grants will be awarded on a first-come first served bassis with priority given to applicants who live in the five CDBG target neighborhoods.

Eligibility requirements for this assistance are:

- 1. The home must be owner/occupied with no more than two dwelling units.
- 2. Mobile homes are not eligible for assistance.
- Annual gross family income cannot exceed the following guidelines:

Family Size	'Maximum Income
1	\$19,700
2	\$22,550
3	\$25,350
4	\$28,150
5	\$30,400
6	\$32,650
7 .	\$34,900
8 plus	\$37,150
incomes will be verified.	
Applicants received on or before ( consideration. Application forms a munity Development in Room 08 of For more information, call 841-7722	re available at the office of Com- City Hall.

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## New Stoplight Operating at N. 2nd & Lyon

SUCCESS!! The new stoplight at N. 2nd & Lyon is operating. N.L.I.A. requested the light to allow for a safe, controlled entrance onto N. 2nd on the north side of

tracks. the Thanks to Terese Gorman, City Engineer; the city crews & the City Commission for their assistance. Also, thank you to Senator Wint Winter, Jr. & Representative Betty Jo



Charlton for their help in convincing the Ks. Dept. of Transportation the light was necessary. We hope you will use the intersection. We appreciate the amount of work it required to become a reality. ###

## **Meet Your Neighbors**

Woodlawn School experienced an increase in enrollment of nearly 25 percent over last year. This means a number of new families have found North Lawrence to be the neighborhood in which they want to raise their children. We welcome those new neighbors to the best place in town to live and hope they enjoy the benefits North Lawrence has to offer. If you have a new neighbor and have not yet met them, please take the time to do so. After all, one of the things that makes North Lawrence so nice is our neighbors. Be a good one!!!

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Lonnie's Recycling, 501 Maple, will pick up and recycle metal. Please separate the metal from the rest of the trash. Additionally, North Lawrence residents will have an opportunity to save money and rid themselves of waste tires at the same time. The city charges \$2 to dispose of each car or light truck tire. For one day only, waste car and light truck tires may be disposed of for a \$1 fee at B.C.'s Auto Repair, 510 N. 6th. Waste tires will be accepted from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Wed., April 8. The tires will be recycled.

N.L.I.A. encourages recycling of metal, aluminum, glass, oil, plastic, paper and styrofoam.

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The North Lawrence Improvement Association will sponsor a neighborhood potluck picnic Sat., May 30, beginning at 6 p.m. at John Taylor Park, 7th and Walnut. Please mark this date on your calendar.

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Please Join Us!

## Lead Water Pipes May Be Hazardous

The City of Lawrence Utility Department requests your help with a survey. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency sets drinking water standards and has determined that lead is a health concern at certain exposure levels. Materials that contain lead frequently have been used in the construction of water supply distribution systems. and plumbing systems in private homes and other buildings. Lead plumbing may have been installed in some older homes (prior to 1910). If you suspect such plumbing is in your home, please complete the following information.

\_\_\_\_\_ I suspect lead pipes have been installed in my home.

Name:	
Address:	
Daytime	Phone:

Please return this information to: City of Lawrence, Dept. of Utilities, P. O. Box 708, Lawrence, KS 66044 or call 842-5032 for further information.

## It's Easy to Recycle

North Lawrence residents have several opportunities to recycle. Neighbors may drop off many of their recyclables at the Union Pacific Depot each Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Patricia Marvin, Lawrence's recycling coordinator, has designated the depot as a drop off site for grass clippings and leaves, used motor oil, and automotive batteries. An attendant will be present to assist emptying the material into appropriate containers.

The grass clippings and leaves will be composted. The used motor oil and automotive batteries will be recycled. Reusable containers are encouraged. Please do not bring glass containers.

Used motor oil is a particularly dangerous contaminant. North Lawrence is located very close to groundwater and any oil spread onto the ground can contaminate your or your neighbor's well. One quart of oil is enough to pollute 250,000 gallons of water. Please do not use motor oil as a weed killer or dust suppressant. It is neither. Please take it to the depot on Saturdays. Do it for yourself and your neighbors.

The city also sponsors a newspaper recycling program. A shed to



deposit newspapers in is located east of Woodlawn School. Please do not tie

the newspapers in bundles. Simply place them in paper sacks and set them inside the shed.

Other recycling programs available to neighbors. Lonnie's Recycling, Kaw Motor Company, and OK Recycling recycle numerous items. Kaw Motor Company, Highway 24/59, accepts anything made out of metal. Lonnie's Recycling, 501 Maple, accepts glass, tin, aluminum, and other metals. OK Recycling accepts plastic, glass, tin and aluminum every Wednesday morning from 7:30 to 8:30 at the newspaper shed east of Woodlawn School. Please take advantage of the many opportunities to recycle in our neighborhood. It's good for your and our earth!

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## Fall Cleanup is October 14

The fall neighborhood cleanup, sponsored by the N.L.I.A., will be Wednesday, October 14. All of North Lawrence will be picked up on the same day.

Lawrence Public Works crews will start picking up the trash early Wednesday, so please have your trash at the normal pickup point Tuesday evening. Elderly & disabled wishing assistance in getting trash to the pickup point should call 841-5946.



Please call far enough in advance so that volunteers can be scheduled.

Mulford's Tree Service will chip limbs and brush. Place

limbs with the butt end facing the pickup area. Remove all foreign objects, such as glass and metal. The free chips will be available at the boat ramp at 8th & Oak for your gardening use. PLEASE NOTE THE NEW LOCATION. Take as much as you need but don't delay because the unused chips will not stay there.

N.L.I.A. encourages recycling. Lonnie's Recycling, 501 Maple, will pick up metal if the metal is separated from the rest of the trash. Please remember metal, aluminum, glass, oil, plastic, newspaper and styrofoam can be recycled.

B. C. Auto Repair, 510 N. 6th, will accept waste car and light truck tires for a reduced disposal fee of \$1 for one day only on Wednesday, Oct. 14. North Lawrence residents will have an opportunity to save money. The city charges at least \$1.50 per tire for disposal. This allows you and N.L.I.A. to save.

## Candidate's Forum Scheduled Oct. 12

The N.L.I.A. will sponsor a Candidate's Forum, Monday, Oct. 12 at 7 p.m. at the I.O.O.F. Hall, 615 Lincoln. Candidates for County Commission, State Representative, and State Senate have been invited to attend and answer your questions. Also on the agenda at this

Also on the agenda at this meeting will be election of officers. The N.L.I.A. is a non-profit neighborhood organization open to any North Lawrence resident or business person. The N.L.I.A. meets the 2nd Monday of each month at the I.O.O.F. Hall 615 Lincoln. Membership is \$1 per year. Please feel free to contact any of the officers if you have questions about the organization.

N.L.I.A. OFFICERS

# North Lawrence Survey Out Soon

Each North Lawrence household & business will soon be receiving a questionnaire regarding our neighborhood. This effort, funded by a Community Development Block Grant, is a project of a Planning class at KU. Information from this survey will guide the N.L.I.A. in areas it will concentrate its. efforts on.

The questionnaire will be hand delivered to each house and business with a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Your help by filling out this questionnaire will be greatly appreciated.

## Playground Equipment Installed

#### **Donations** Accepted

Woodlawn P.T.O. The recently bought new playground equipment for the school yard at a cost of \$8,664. This has been a multi-year effort which is not completed yet. \$6,000 has been paid on the equipment leaving a balance of \$2,664. Woodlawn students have recently completed a fund raiser to help pay off the equipment. There is still an opportunity to give. Checks may be made out to Woodlawn P.T.O. and mailed to Woodlawn School, 508 Elm, Law-rence, KS 66044. Your help is appreciated.

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# Are you interested in Model Block Program?

The N.L.I.A. will soon be submitting projects for consideration for Community Development funding. One suggested project would be a "Model Block Program" in North Lawrence. Under this program, homeowners in a block area agree to participate in the program which allows for a \$1 rebate for every \$4 spent on approved, exterior projects, such as painting, roof repairs, & porch repairs. The maximum return for each household is \$2,000; minimum rebate is \$100. If you are interested in this program and would like further information, please call Bob Moody at 841-5946.

## School Bond Forum to be Oct. 27

The Woodlawn P.T.O. and the N.L.I.A. will jointly sponsor a forum on the proposed \$29.9 million school bond issue, Tuesday, Oct. 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the Woodlawn Gym, 508 Elm. The bond issue, if approved, will fund the building of two new elementary schools and a new junior high school, as well as expand Wakarusa school and renovate Central Junior High and Lawrence High.

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HO! HO! HO! MERRY CHRISTMAS!	North Lawrence Impr Association Offic	1
What? It's too early to think about Christmas?! Not if you plan to win the first-ever North Lawrence CHRIST- MAS DECORATING CONTEST. You don't need to dazzle the judges with a "million bulbs." Entries will be judged on their originality and aesthet- ics. There'll be prizes for the best en- tries. We'll announce what they are at	Maxine Lee, President Delores Todd, Secretary Marguerite Johnson, Treasurer NLIA is a non-profit neighborhood org \$1 per year. Many NLIA projects, inclu are paid for by Community Developm THE MISSING PIECE 1	uding this newsletter, ent funding.
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## NORTH LAWRENCE COURIER

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## **EARLY HISTORY OF NORTH** LAWRENCE

POTLUCK PICNIC

Meet your neighbors and the North Lawrence community at our annual picnic. Join us on Saturday, Septem-

ber 18th at John Taylor Park (between Elm and Walnut on 7th Street). Bring a covered dish to share.

your own dishes and silverware. We'll provide ice tea. You might also want to bring chairs or a blanket to sit on.

This will be our first meeting of the year. We won't conduct any business at the picnic, but instead use the time to catch up on the summer's news. If you are new to North Lawrence, this is a great time to meet your neighbors and see what the North Lawrence Neighborhood Improvement Association is all about. The whole family is welcome

If it rains, we'll hold the picnic inside the Ballard Center.

FALL CLEANUP-FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15! Zilners gave me the original deed to my house, which they had once owned. It was fascinating reading. The first entry noted the President's transfer of a plot of land to an Indian. Soon after, several settlers acquired the land. In each subsequent entry, the size of the plot shrank, until finally, my house was built in 1929

The history of all our homes in North Lawrence follows this same pattern, according to the Early History of North Lawrence. This is a neat little book originally published in 1930 by the North Lawrence Civic Association. Members of the Woodlawn Parent Teachers Association added to the history and reissued the pamphlet in 1961. The History paints a picture of a bustling town quite a bit different from today's North Lawrence.

#### Indian Country

Our land deeds start with Sarcoxie. He was the chief of the Turtle Band of the Delaware Indians. This area was set aside for the Delaware Indians in an 1829 treaty, From 1829 until 1854, North Lawrence was Indian Country, part of the Nebraska Territory. But even though this was Indian Country, white settlers and runaway slaves were moving in and forming settlements. In 1854, the Kansas-Nebraska Bill officially opened the state to non-Indian settlers. Perhaps in response to this influx. President James Buchanan deeded Sarcoxie 320 acreswhich included North Lawrence-in an 1860 treaty with the tribe,

Now, the History implies that North Lawrence was here before the rest of Lawrence, and it would be nice to say we were "one up" on the rest of the city. Most likely, though, these early settlers were scattered throughout the area. The first mention of a city in the area came in the neighborhood. It sounds like May of 1854, when Missourians John Jefferson was the type of city many

Awhile back, my neighbors the Baldwin and Clarke Stearns staked out the Lawrence townsite. A few months later the New England Emigrant Aid Society established their base there. While Baldwin, members of the Aid Society and many other newcomers chose to live north of the river, North Lawrence was not a part of the main city at that time.

#### Early development

In 1861, Sarcoxie sold his acreage to Charles Robinson, Robert S. Stevens and William A. Simpson-our first developers. These men immediately began selling the land in pieces, some to the Kansas Pacific Railroad and the rest to other settlers. We became known as Jefferson, and were included as part of Jefferson County.

About this time, North Lawrence development really took off. The first post office was built in 1862. There were many small shops and stores in the area, including a grocery, a meat market, a barber shop, a drug store, flour and feed mills and a coal yard. There was a pool hall a saloon and two hotels.

The first toll bridge across the river was built in 1863, and the Kansas Pacific rail lines reached the area the same year. By 1865, there were at least four churches. Children attended a number of makeshift schools in the area until the first school building, on the northeast corner of North Seventh and Lincoln, opened with 250 students in 1865.

At this time, North Lawrence had its own cemetery, jail, court and newspaper. And many of our homes were built during this period. While Locust and Bridge (North Second) streets were the principal business districts, stores and shops were scattered throughout Continued.

#### Early North Lawrence Continued

current North Lawrence residents would cific Railroad moved its general repair like to live in, if their survey responses are any indication.

#### We become a city

The Legislature created Grant Township, which included North Lawrence, in 1865 and made it part of Douglas County, Somewhere between 1865 and 1867, Jefferson became North Lawrence, and town officers were elected.

On June 7, 1867, North Lawrence officially became a second-class city with a population of 2,500. Four days later, a group tried to get the city of Lawrence to annex North Lawrence. This effort failed. But in 1870, North Lawrence citizens voted to consolidate with Lawrence. Unfortunately, the History doesn't explain the motivation behind the conflict or the reasons why people finally voted to join Lawrence.

> Cultural center In the early 1870s, the Union Pa-

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#### FIRST MEETING-1993-94

The first meeting of the year for the North Lawrence Improvement Association will be on October 11 at 7:00 at the Oddfellows Hall, 615 Lincoln. Everyone who lives or owns property in North Lawrence is welcome to attend.

Items on the agenda include electing officers, planning meetings and community activities for the rest of the year and developing ideas for our Community Development Block Grantproposal, which is due in November.

Many people responding to last year's neighborhood survey said they thought Community Development funds hadn't done much good in North Lawrence. If you have an idea on how to use these federal funds in our neighborhood, come to the meeting and be a part of the planning process.

Meetings of the North Lawrence Improvement Association are held the second Monday of every month, from October through May,

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shops to Bismarck Grove, which was in the northeast corner of North Lawrence. Many houses were built near the Grove to house shop employees. Although some still stand, most have been torn down

Apparently, Bismark Grove was quite a focal point for the city. For many years, it was the site of the Kansas State Fair, and it was used for many statewide gatherings, such as carnivals and political and religious meetings. Mule carsthe city's first public transportationoperated from Bismark Grove to 19th and Massachusetts. Part of Bismark Grove was a game preserve for deer, buffalo, elk and antelope,

## HOW DO YOU COMPARE?

dents participated in a community opinprofessor at KU. Unfortunately, the professor lost his graduate student and so has not yet compiled the results. Fortunately, he loaned the surveys to the NLIA, and we have tallied some of the answers.

Not being statisticians or having much spare time, we couldn't do the entire survey or interpret the results. So we chose a few questions we thought people might be interested in and counted the number of answers for each ques-

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Last fall, most North Lawrence resi- tion. You can use the numbers to see how you fit into the neighborhood. And ion survey sent out by an architecture you can see whether you have the same goals and feelings for North Lawrence as others in the neighborhood.

At the beginning, there were four

more blocks to the west of North Second

street. And the river was only about half

its present width. In 1903, a major flood

hit the area, washing away the blocks

south of Locust and west of North Sec-

ond and parts of Mill, Walnut and Ash

streets from the bridge to North Fifth. In

addition to the 1903 and 1951 floods,

flooding also occurred in 1901, 1902.

1904, 1905, 1908, 1910, 1912 and 1915.

We can count our blessings for the lev-

many ways, the History of North Law-

rence just scratches the surface. But it

shows that North Lawrence has a heri-

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ies that protected us this year.

tage that we can be proud of.

We appreciate everyone's participation in the survey. Reading people's comments gave us a lot of ideas for future NLIA activities. It also showed that most people are really proud of their neighborhood. Hopefully, politicians and developers will one day be able to use the results to improve facilities and services while maintaining our neighborhood's character.

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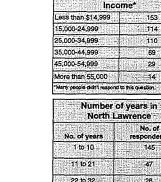
## FALL CLEANUP-October

For those who prefer fall cleaning, a Clean Up Day is scheduled for Friday. October 15. This will give you a chance to get rid of some of that debris left over from July's storms.

City crews will collect bulk trash from your regular pick-up site. Have it there by 7:00 a.m.

Separate recyclable metals and brush and tree limbs from the rest of the trash. Lonnie's Recycling will pick up the metals. Mulford's Tree Service will chip the limbs and brush. They'll leave the chips at the boat dock on 8th and Oak Streets. You're welcome to take these chips as long as they last.

City crews will take up to five tires in the cleanup. And there is no charge to pick them up. However, they'll only take car or small truck tires. If you have more than five tires, take them to B.C. Auto, 510 North 6th. The charge to dispose of them there is \$1.

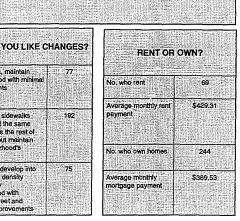


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Rural character	-181	Good school	104	No shopping facilities	145	Unkempt	122	Supermarket	125	Variety store	76
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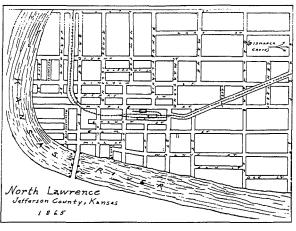
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Ballard Center becoming a teen center (as Jo Anderson off-handedly suggested in the paper last week). Most comments about the possibility were negative, i.e. there's not enough parking nor enough room in the building. People were also concerned about the classification of this neighborhood as "inner city" as well as the type of people the centerwould attract. Rusty Thomas, Ballard Center board member, says that board wasn't too thrilled with the idea either and that she would convey our sentiments back to her board

Delores explained this year's approved CDBG allocations. She also compared allocations to our neighborhood with those going to other neighborhoods. She and I made an appeal for the group to give a lot of thought as to what we should apply for next year. For example, Fred De Victor earlier had mentioned that playground equipment for smaller children might now be appropriate additions to the parks.

Kathy Martinez brought seeds from the America the Beautiful program. And the group went crazy going through them

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



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NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP	JUNE 10
POTLUCK PICNIC	JUNE 4

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#### NEIGHBORHOOD POTLUCK PICNIC JUNE 4, 6:30 P.M. JOHN TAYLOR PARK EVERYONE'S INVITED

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## MINUTES OF THE NORTH LAWRENCE **IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION** 1993-1994

#### December 13, 1993

Delores Todd called the meeting to order at 7:00. Marilyn Rogers tried to read the minutes of the November 8th meeting, which were then discussed and approved. Marguerite gave the treasurer's report. As of December 13, we had a total of \$293.21: \$274.21 in the checking account and the rest cash.

Maxine Lee reported that she delivered a \$50 gift certificate to the Lathrum's, a North Lawrence couple who were flooded this summer. This was part of the Unity Church's donation for flood-affected North Lawrence residents. She also said she'd given \$25 of the Unity Church's donation to the Ballard Center. This left \$113.

New business:

Maxine proposed that we donate more money to the Ballard Center. She suggested the Ballard Center could use the money for Christmas presents for a flooded family, or it could use it for an "unadopted" family. After discussion, the NLIA voted to send another \$50 to the Ballard Center, earmarked for a North Lawrence family (not necessarily one with kids). We decided to keep the remaining \$63 in case we hear of anyone else needing assistance.

We then discussed programs for 1994 meetings. Delores will arrange for representatives from the park department (possibly Fred DeVictor), FMC and the street maintenance department (possibly Teresa Gorman) to meet with us. We're asking the street department to discuss culvert maintenance as one way to reduce street flooding in North Lawrence

Marilyn and Delores announced that the Christmas lighting contest

representatives would do the judging so there would be no favoritism given to any of the entries. Several businesses donated prizes for the decorating contest: Fat Man's Restaurant gave a dinner for two; Roger's Food Center donated a 5 pound ham, B&C Auto donated \$50 in auto repair, River City Car Wash gave \$100 in car wash tokens, which we broke into smaller amounts to give to several winners, La Tropicana Restaurant donated dinner for two and Pines Greenhouse donated a rose bush. We could have had many more prizes, but when we were soliciting, we were afraid we wouldn't have many entries. In the end, we had 11 entries.

Delores and Marilyn reported on the CDBG request we sent to the city in November. We asked for \$3,660 in operating expenses, which pays mainly for the newletter and office supplies, \$100 to provide supplies for a volunteer program to help elderly or disabled North Lawrence residents, \$2,880 for repair of the brick sidewalk on Locust Street, and \$3,300 for culvert cleaning, repair and replacement. After submitting the request, Fred DeVictor gave Delores some ideas for next year's request. He has some improvements in mind for Lyons Park plus more tree-planting sites.

Finally, we discussed general neighborhood chitchat, such as what's going on along the north side of the tracks, when's the burned building going to be torn down and who's in the hospital.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50. January 10, 1994

Delores Todd called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Marilyn Rogers

would be judged this week. FMC read the minutes, which were then approved by the members. Marguerite gave the treasurers report. She said we had a total of \$224.21 in the checking account and \$21.00 in cash.

Delores announced the program schedule for spring meetings. On February 14, a representative from the Lawrence Police Department will speak to the group about setting up a neighborhood watch program. In March, FMC people will visit with us to explain their role in the community. In April, we'll meet with someone from the street department to discuss culvert maintenance.

Delores said she has been spending some of our CDBG funds and buying office supplies, such as note

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#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* SPRING CLEANUP

Have your bulk trash at the curb by 7 a.m. on Friday, June 10. It's springcleanup time again. However, there are a few differences this year from years past.

Do not put limbs or brush out for pick up unless you cut the limbs into 18-inch-long pieces and bundle them together as you do for normal trash pickup. Our tree service has raised his rates, and we don't have enough money in our budget to pay for picking up and chipping brush this cleanup.

Don't put tires out for this cleanup. Instead, call the city sanitation department. They will put you on their schedule for collecting tires (up to five from a household).

Separate metals and other recyclables from the bulk trash. We'll have Lonnies pick these up again this year.

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#### North Lawrence Improvement Association Officers

Delores Todd, President	842-7982
Maxine Lee, Vice President	843-3627
Marguerite Johnson, Treasurer	843-1954
Marilyn Rogers, Secretary	841-4473

NLIA is a non-profit neighborhood organization. Dues are \$1 per year. Many NLIA projects, including this newsletter, are paid for by Community Development funding.

THE MISSING PIECE IS YOU!

### Neighborhood watch

Some are bar-related; some are re-

lated to gang activity (especially on

Elm). Brothers says the police de-

partment keeps a good watch on the

group suspected of being in a gang.

that the police don't patrol North

Lawrence enough. However, this is

a reflection of how safe the neigh-

borhood is, he says. If an area ap-

pears OK, patrol officers will head to

other areas where problems are more

chronic. If you frequently see offic-

ers in your neighborhood, it means

your area may be having more prob-

But even with a police officer "sit-

ting on your doorstep," it's possible

to be a crime victim. That's why

citizens should be proactive. Citi-

zens are the eyes and ears of the

police. Brothers says that while

North Lawrence in general is good

about knowing who belongs in a

neighborhood, we sometimes ques-

tion whether we should call the po-

lice when we see something suspi-

cious. We should, he says. Prevent-

ing crime has to be a partnership

If you are interested in setting up

a more formal partnership with po-

lice-a neighborhood watch pro-

gram-call Mark Brothers at the

Lawrence Police Department, 841-

7210

between the citizens and police.

lems than you want, he says.

Brothers says he hears complaints

We are fortunate that we have few blocks of Elm and Locust, he says. crime problems in North Lawrence, says Mark Brothers of the Lawrence Police Department who spoke to the NLIA meeting in February. Vandalism is rare here as are car and residential burlaries. And we don't have to put up with "stupid drunk tricks" like residents around KU do.

North Lawrence has mainly two types of crime problems: those inherent to having bars in residential neighborhoods and theft by transients restocking their "summer camp." Elm has gotten better as far as drunk driving goes, he says; Locust is worse. Some of the "drunktype" problems center around the barat 508 Locust. According to Brothers, most of the fights and other problems are caused by out-of-town friends of the regular clientele. And few of the problems extend to the rest of the neighborhood. Generally, there's more trash than violence, he savs.

North Lawrence should expect the "homeless" population to be moving back to their summer camps along the river in April. So we should also expect to lose camping gear and related items if we leave our garages and storage sheds unlocked, Brothers says. Popular items that the transients take include fishing poles, tents, grills and lanterns.

We should also expect some localized "antics" around the 200 to 500

#### According to City Commissioner Bob Moody, the city cannot rezone

an area until it receives a petition signed by affected property owners. So I would like help in getting a petition signed for changing the zoning on Locust and Elm between 2nd and 4th from industrial to residential.

A REQUEST FOR HELP

If you live in a commercial/industrial zone, here are the financial benefits of rezoning to residential:

• If 50% or more of your home is destroyed (e.g., by fire, flood or storm), you cannot rebuild unless you obtain a zoning variance from the city.

 It is difficult to sell or refinance a home in a commercial/industrial area because few mortgage companies or banks will lend money for homes in these zones.

·Property taxes would probably decrease. Typically, property taxes are higher in commercial/industrial areas.

The city appears to be willing to consider rezoning some industrial/ commercial sections in North Lawrence to residential. Several residents who attended the NLIA meeting in May discussed which sections this rezoning should include. They agreed that it may be possible to rezone sections of Locust and Elm between 2nd and 4th Streets with little difficulty. While the group would also like to see Maple and the rest of Locust from 4th to 7th rezoned, existing businesses in those areas could make the process more difficult. However, individuals located in those areas could certianly sign the petition and make their voices heard.

Because many of the properties in this area in question are not owneroccupied, door-to-door petitioning would be somewhat ineffective. Therefore, if you own property on Locust and Elm between 2nd and 4th Streets and are interested in signing a petition to change the zoning of this area to residential, please call Cheryl Miller at 749-3510 or stop by 228 Locust.

-Cheryl Miller

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It leaks and has other problems. Also, the department is changing the way it charges for pool use. Season passes will now be available for \$30 for an individual, \$90 for a family of four. As an added attraction, parks and rec has contracted with a company to install a 17foot tall, 140-foot long water slide this summer, which they hope to have installed by Memorial Day.

De Victor said his office would be responsible for maintaining the renovated Union Pacific depot and for scheduling the meeting room there. Several people got on De Victor's case about the depot. They were mainly concerned that the parking lot for the depot would be filled with Johnny's Tavern patrons. De Victor commented that one way to control that would be to lock the parking lot at night. People commented that the depot essentially represents another instance where the city made plans for our neighborhood but didn't take the time to come to the neighborhood to ask for input about how well the project would work or to ask for suggestions on how to make it work. For example, because Ted Boyle once had his shop at the same intersection, he could help the city work out parking problems at the depot.

De Victor announced that the neighborhood has enough kids to support playground programs at both John TayCOMMUNITY CALENDAR

<b>John Taylor Park</b> June 4, 6:30 p.m.	Neighborhood Potluck Picnic Everyone's invited. Bring a dish to share, your own table service and a chair.
June 10	Neighborhood cleanup
On-going: Ballard Center	Aerobics classes, Monday and Wednesday 6:15 to 7:30 pm and Saturday 9 to 10 am. Classes are free and open to everyone, however, space is sometimes limited.
	Free summer lunch program for children (up to age 18)

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#### TO THE RESIDENTS OF NORTH LAWRENCE

the survey taken last year: "Are you satisfied with the manner in which the city has allocated community development funding in the recent past?" A majority of residents answered "No."

As a member of the Community Development Block Grant Advisory Board and as a member of the North Lawrence Improvement Association, I am puzzled by this response. I believe residents are confusing community development funding with general city funds.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) awards community development funds to cities. Our local Housing and Neighborhood De-velopment Office is in charge of overseeing these CD funds. The process for distributing CD money begins with organizations submitting requests. The requests are then reviewed by a 16-member advisory board. The board consists of people from target neighborhoods and at-large community members. The amount of allocations depends on the total amount money requested is larger than the amount available. The board makes their recommendation to the city commission. which either accepts the recommendations or requests changes. This is a shortened version of a lengthy process. But I wanted to give you an idea of how it works.

The last newsletter listed some of the projects previously funded by CD. These included sewer lines, water lines, drainage improvements, land for Lyons Park, sidewalks, rehabilitation loans and weatherization grants. Community development money also funds our cleanups, pays for our newsletters and provides general operating expenses. These projects are entirely separate from projects that city departments (e.g., street, parks and recreation, public works, etc.) spend in our neighborhood.

The ideas for requests for North Lawrence come from neighborhood residents. If there is a particular project you would like to bring to our attention,

The following question appeared on of money available. Almost always, the contact any NLLA officer. Or better yet, come to one of our meetings.

Our requests for the 1994-1995 year

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Operating expenses	\$1,660
Volunteer services	100
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Culvert replacement	660
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Brick sidewalk replacement 4,890 More specific information about these projects will be in our next newsletter. This summer, the board will be meeting to discuss projects for next year. Suggestions are welcome at any time. If you would like to attend a meeting, let one of the board members know. NLIA members will vote on final recommendations at the November general meeting as the deadline for applications is December 1.

Take a look around your neighborhood. Think how it could be improved. Let's all make North Lawrence an even better place to live.

> -Delores Todd NLIA President, 1994

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books and a filing cabinet. She also announced that CDBG meetings begin this week on the 13th.

Marilyn asked for help contacting community churches and schools for information for the community calendar for next month's newsletter. Shirley North volunteered to do the calling.

Shirley reported on a call she had received asking for volunteers to the CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) program. These volunteers work with children caught up in the court system, often in custody battles. Anyone wishing to work with this group should contact Lena at the Roger Hill Volunteer Center. They plan to start a training program at the end of the month.

<sup>5</sup> Marguerite reported that Maxine Lee is back in the hospital with lung problems. Marguerite will also be contacting North Lawrence businesses regarding the Neighbor-to-Neighbor program. This program has been set up with government flood money. She also announced that as part of this program, a potluck is scheduled for February 13 at the Douglas County Extension Center. Everyone in the county is invited to attend.

Cheryl Miller asked if it would be possible to gauge support for rezoning Locust Street from 2nd to 7h. Currently, that section is zoned both to prevent industrial development in the area and to be able to do things to her home that are prevented by the zoning category, like refinancing at much lower rates. She said Bob Moody told her the dity would be willing to research whether this was feasible, but if dia/r want to waste if's time if the residents didn't support the change. Shirley volunteered to heip find residents of homes in this area. Amilyn will put ab lurb in the newsletter to gauge support throughout the neighborhood.

There was considerable discussion about what the city has planned for thearea bounded by the depot, the river and 2nd and 3rd streets. Some believe the city plans to demolish all businesses and residences in the area to make room for parks, the farmers market and parking. Others believe the city just wants property owners to clean up the area so it's not an eyesore visible from city hall and themall. We should probably have a city representative come explain their plans to us.

Delores announced the winners of the Christmas contest:

1st prize: Glen and Ellen Miller 2nd prize: Tommy and Linda Lee

3rd prize: Mrs. Roberts

Honorable mentions: The Beebes and the Gillespies

Ted Boyle mentioned that he had called people he knew at Sunflower Cable to come over and take pictures and that he'd seen several North Lawrence homes on the news. Marguerite announced that the Tenantsto-Homeowners program willhold a "school" for prospective home buyers in February. The school will explain the program, which helps low-income people buy homes needing rehabilitation in target neighborhoods plus helps them fix up the homes.

Shirley asked if we all knew the New Year's baby was a North Lawrence baby. He belongs to Byron of Byron's Auto House.

Delores adjourned the meeting at 8:05.

February 14, 1994 Delores Todd called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

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K.C. Childs, Tanger Outlet Center maketing manager, explained the mall's expansion plans. The design calls for lengthening the building that parallels the river and adding another building and four rows of parking on the south end of the lot. The additions will add 58,000 square feet of space to the mall and create a horseshee of buildings on the lot. Childs said she expects their request for expansion will be on the agenda for the city commission's April 27 meeting and hopes to receive approval for the project by the end of May. On that schedule, construction will begin in the fall. She also hopes North Lawrence will support the expansion.

Mark Brothers of the Lawrence Police Department tabled about the types of crime problems North Lawrence experiences. His take-home message was that preventing crime has to be a partnership between dtizens and police. Clitzens must be the eyes and ears for the police force. People should be willing to get involved. And if we see something thatmakes us wonder if weshould call the police, well, we should.

After the presentations, we started the business meeting, Marilyn Rogers read the minutes, which those present approved without comment.

Marguerite Johnson gave the treasurers report. We have \$204.21 in the checking account and \$25 in cash. We discussed whether it would be OK to use the money in the account for mailing the newsletter then getting reinbursed with CDBG funds and decided it was.

Finally, everyone helped stick mailing letters on the newsletter, which was a tremendous help.

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Marguerite Johnson gave the treasurer's report. We had \$49.21 in the account. The city's \$155 reimbursement for mailing the newslettler had arrived but had not been deposited, for a total of \$204.21. We had \$24 in cash.Kathy Martinez of the Neighbor-to-Neighbor Trogram informed the group that she could provide assistance to residents and business owners affected by last summer's flooding. Call her at 843-2383 if you qualify for assistance and are having trouble getting it or if you need more information.

Ed Flynn FMC plant manager spoke to the group, informing us of FMC's activities and role in the community. He said that the company had not had a mechanism for communicating with theneighborhood. So this was the first step in what he hoped would be better communication.

Flynn described the company's background. FMC is an international \$3.8 billion company based in Chicago. The local plant has been here since 1951. It employees about 225 people and has a \$12 million payroll, making it the eighth largest employer in Lawrence. It pays about a quarter of a million in taxes.

Locally, FMC produces phosphates for use

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in products such as Pepsi, Dr. Pepper, Jello, Aunt Jemima maple syrup, Velvoeta, Wheaties, Ginamon Toast Crunch, Total, Soft Batch Cookies, Ritz Bits, hotdogs, ham, bacon, crescent rolls, pet food. Crest toothpasto, Cascade dishwasher soap and Spie and Span. The company produces different forms of the mineral, which can act as leavening agents and huttents, among others.

FMC is a safety-oriented facility, says Flynn. In 1993, the plant had gone 3 years without an accident causing an employeeto miss work. FMC provides preventive health care, tests employees for drugs and conducts regular safety meetings and drills. Plus, yearly, italso conducts joint drills with the fire department.

The company has an emergency response plan, which is available at the library. Flynn says he'd be glad to also give NLIA a copy for our files.

The phosphate manufacturing process produces hydrogen sulfide gas, which smells like rotten eggs. Because of neighborhood complaints, the company in July 1993, insalled a S1.8 million scrutuber to remove the smell. Flynn says he hasn't gotten a complaint about the smell since then. He also pointed out that the government didn't legislate this scrubber, they installed it in response to neighborhood complaints.

Currently, FMC is working to reduce waste emissions by 50%, Fynn says. One way they do that is to capture the heat produced in the manufacturing process then reuse it to heat the facility. FMC co-sponsors the RIF (Reading is Fun-

FMCco-sponsors the RIF(Reading is Fundamental) program at Woodlawn School and has bought dolls and toys for the kindergarten class. Its employees donated \$21,000 to the United Way this year, and some employees volunteer at the Ballard Center. The company also sponsors ball teams and the boys and girls dub.

Several peopleattending the meeting had questions for Flynn. The Copps asked about the emergency alarms that go off at night. They said they worry that the company is emitting pollutants or poisons at night and wonder if it's safe. The company's security personnel say they can't hear the sirens go off. Flynn said his reason for being at the meeting was to start to work on these types of issues. He wanted to set up a mechanism for dealing with them.

Copp said he feels no one will buy his property because of where it is, even though property taxes just went up 514,000. His daughter was denied a loan for her property because the bank was worried a bout the possibility of ground-water contamination. Copp asked what was FMC really doing about safety?

Flynn said he couldn't speak to the bank's lending practices.

Copp said the company could talk to banks and show that there was no pollution. Flynn responded that FMC could tell banks that they're using the wrong information and give them the records the company must file with the state.

Flynn said FMC has been planning an open house to address these issues. That way company representatives could walk Contimed...

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us through the plant and point out the many safety features. Flynn said he'd also be willing to periodically come back to NLIA meetings. Martinez said she'd like to contact FMC's

Martinez said she'd like to contact FMC's public relations department to see what assistance FMC could offer flood victures.

Bob Moody mentioned that he's smelled natural gas as he's driven by a pipeline on the southeast corner of FMC's property. Flynn said he'd check that out. Notonly is it a safety hazard, but FMC doesn't want to pay any more utilities than it has too.

Finally, Janice Johnson, a representative of the Lawrence GIrls Fast Pitch program, spoke to us about the possibility of opening ball fields in North Lawrence. Right now, the 10to 12-year old girls must travel to Johnson County and other areas in the state for all their games. The group has joined with the Break/ast Optimists Club to develop fields in Lawrence. Currently, they are negotiating with FMC to lease company land.

So far, details of how the site would be used have not been worked out. But, Johnson said, there should be no storet parking, and until the group has money for lights, there will be no night games. However, many of the games for older girls start at 9:15, so late night crowds and noise could be possible once lights are installed.

Copp asked what would be done to prevent the fields from being used by the general public and how would the group avoid general rowdiness. Johnson said the fields are too small for use by aduit teams. Plus the agreement with FMC will be only for this group. Also, hey won 'stell beera the games, although some adults may bring some with hem. Flynnadded that thesareement would include a clause to shut the fields down if alcohol becomes a problem. Healso said he'd like to poll the neighborhood to see how we feel about the fields.

In general, people attending the meeting commented favorably on the fields, saying they were glad to support girls' sports. APRIL 11. 1994

Maxine Lee called the meeting to order at 715. Marily n Rogers read the minutes, which the membership approved. Marguerite Johnson gave the treasurers report. We had 204.21 in the bank, \$27 in cash, plus we received about \$12 for new memberships tonicht.

We had a short discussion about having a neighborhood-wide picnic this spring. The group voted to have a potluck picnic on June 4 at John Taylor Park, starting at 6:00. This will be after the newsletter comes out. Someone will also post notices at Rogers Food Centerso we won't miss letting anyone know about the picnic.

Maxine announced that the city has changed bulk trash pickups back to Friday. So the spring deanup will be on June 10 this year. Also, no limbs will be on June 10 this spring. Our usual tree service has raised its prices for pickingup limbs (nearly three times what it used to be), and Delores Todd has not found a cheaper service. (We learned about this price increase before CDBG appropriations were finalized, so we were able to increase our request for next year. We will probably schedule the treeservice to pick up limbs in the fail cleanup.) Maxine announced that a Parks and Recreation Department representative will speak at the next meeting on May 9.

A representative from the trailer park on Walnut wasscheduled to appear at this meeting. However, that person did not show up nor did she call to cancel. This is the trailer court that plans to expand across Walnut, add 30 millers to the lot and wants access to Eighth Street. Members vented their feelings about the non-appearance and about the planned expansion.

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As background: So far, the City Planning Commission has denied the owner 's request for the expansion. They said the owner can't expand unless access to the court is from Eighth Street and not Wahnut. To do this, the owner would need to buy two houses on Eighth, which he would then tear down. Apparently, by the date of this meeting, one of the houses had been torn down. The ownership of the other house was up in the air because its last owner is suing to get it back. After considerable discussion, David Baird

made a motion that we write a letter explaining our concerns to the City Commission and the Planning Commission. The membership voted to approve the motion. Marilyn Rogers will write the letter. To summarize our concerns:

 The trailer court will increase traffic on streets that are already too narrow for the current load they carry: Elm, Eighth, Wahnut and Oak, Thedrainageditches on these streets make it difficult to expand the roads.
 The trailer court will decrease property

values. • Because trailers depreciate like cars. the

used trailers the owner plans to bring to the site will run down the area more than if he moved new trailers in.

• The trailer court will be rental property rather than owner-occupied. Tenants have little incentive to keep a neighborhood looking good. In general, therundown properties inNorth Lawrencearch chones that arerented. In fact, to compare apples to apples, justlook at the difference between the trailer court on Third Street (which is mainly owner-occupied) with the current Wahnut Street trailer court (which is mainly tenant-occupied). •Cas and water pressure is already too low in homes on WainutStreet. The demand for water and gas created by adding another 30 trailers would be above current capacity.

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is junky with couches, chairs and all sorts of trash strewn about. •The membership believes that once the court's owner gets permission to expand the

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•The dirtroad currently serving the trailer court is a mess. •The membership worries that even if the

owner cleans up the trailer court, the next owner may not be so good. Finally, Kathy Martinez announced she

had flower, herb and vegetable seeds available for beautification projects. The seeds are provided to the Neighbor-to-Neighbor program through the America the Beautiful Fund.

 Although the seed is to be used for communitylandscaping. Lawrencehas rules for landscaping public property. So Kathy will let us take the seeds for personal use. She will bring nackets to the next meeting.

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An amendment to the by-laws concerning dues will also be presented at the September meeting. According to the present by-laws annual dues are due on the second Monday of January. As treasurer, Margurite finds this timing very confusing. The way this has been handled, sometimes means a person is paid up for a year and a half. The proposed amendment will read: Section 1. Dues- Annual dues of one dollar per year shall be assessed each member of THE NORTH LAWRENCE IMP. ROVEMENT ABBOCIAT-ION and are due on the second Monday of September, No dues shall be accepted on the day of elections. (Dues can be paid anytime but membership will run from September to August]

With all business accomplished meeting adjoruned.

#### North Lawrence Improvement Association Officers

Delorse Todd, President/Acting Secertary 842-7982 Maxine Lee, Vice President Marguerite Johnson, Treasurer 843-1954

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## NORTH LAWRENCE COURIER

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#### CDBG This years requests included

replacing six culverts in the North Lawrence neighborhood. These need to be culverts that are damaged or dangerous. Friority will be given on a basis of need. If interested, call one of the board members for more information or to be put on a waiting list. If this program is successful, we could make this an ongoing project. Remember, a member of the public works department will be at the October meeting to discuss culvert maintenance. Another project will be one for volunteer services. The idea is to help an elderly, disabled, or someone unable to do a job themselves, to clean an area of their yard, spruce up shrubbery, or mend a fence. Remember we need requests and volunteers.

The last project is replacing the brick sidewalk on Locust Street between 4th and 7th streets. Letters will be sent to residents explaining details. This project will be funded by Community Development and is of no cost to the residents. The brick will be replaced by brick. and is to just improve safety and appearance. Only the areas with brick now will be affected. If you have questions, feel free to call one of the board members. We still need requests to

be submitted this year. One suggestions is for play equipment for the smaller children at Lyons Park. We will be working with the Parks and Recreasion department to select the equipment. Again this year, the NLIA will be sponsoring a Christmas decorating contest for homes and yards. Last years entrants were enjoyed by all and was shown on local cable. The only difference this year is pre-registration is not necessary. Judges will drive around the neighborhood colorful and enjoyable.

Holiday Dinner The annual holiday dinner sponsored by the NLIA and the Ballard Center will be held Tuesday November 15, 6:00 p.m. at the Ballard Center. 7th and Elm. Maat, potatoes and gravy, dressing, drinks and table service will be provided. Those attending should bring a vegetable or dessert covered dish. Come visit with your neighbors and enjoy a good med.

#### Woodlawn News

During the summer the stoplights at the corner of 5th and Elm were removed by the City. They were not working, there were no parts avabile, and they no longer met traffic codes. The Woodlawn P.T.O. contacted the city of Lawrence to see what could be done that would warn people to slow down as they approached the school. It was agreeded that they city and the P.T.O. would split the cost of a flashing vellow warning beacon. like the ones on Locust Street, The light will be located on Elm street between 4th and 5th and should be installed this fall.

Woodlawn school is participating in the Dillons "Tape for Education" program. We would appriciate any cashregister tapes that people can save for us. Our goal is to collect enough reciptes to get some equipment for our new Beignner/Math lab.

At its Open House on September 8 and agreement was signed between Woodlawn school and FMC Plant. This is a Business/Education partnership which we believe will help both Organization. We have worked Together in the past, and if agreement makes the arrangement more permanent.

#### Fall Cleanup

The fall clean-up will be held Friday October 14. Now is a good time to clean out the garage, spruce up the yard, or get rid of the brush and debris around the house. Residents need to have their bulk trach at the curb bu 7:00 a.m. Tires will be picked up at this time, also, but residents need to remember there is a five tire limit, and the city does keep track of the addresses where tires are picked up. The chipper will be run by city crews, and depending on how much there is, will be picked up at the same time. but possibly could run into Baturday.

#### NLIA Guest Speakers

The October 10 meeting will have a representative from the public works department to discuts replacement and maintenance of culverts. Winne a good part of North Lawrence still has ditches and culverts, and they seem to be part of our drainage problem, now is a good time to ask questions about the upkeeping of culverts. Also Lynn Goodell, director of Housing and Neighborhood Develonment, will talk about properties acquired through the CDBG program and the Flood Relief program, and possible plans for these acquisitions.

Future meetings include a member of the planning department to talk about Historic Preservation in North Lawrence.

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family of four. As an added attraction, parks and rec has contracted with a company to install a 17-foot tell, 140-foot long water slide this summer, which they hope to have installed by Memorial Day.

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"It is impossible to refinance a home in an industrial area (not mentioned difficult to find financing to even purchase the home).

\*Changing the classification to residential should be decreased property taxes. Ted brought up the subject of the Ballard Center becoming a teen center (as Jo Anderson off-handedly suggested in the paper last week]. Most comments about the possibility were negative, i.e. there's not enough parking nor enough room in the building, People were also concerned about the classification of this neighborhood as "inner city" as well as the type of people the center would attract. Rusty Thomas, Ballard center board member, savs that board wasn't too thrilled with the idea either and that she would convey our sentiments back to her board.

Delorse explained this year's approved CDBG allocations. She also compared allocations to our neighborhood with those going to other neighborhoods. She and I made an appeal for the group to give a lot of thought as to what we should apply for next year. For example, Fred De Vistor earler had mentioned that playground equipment for smaller children might now be appropriate additions to the parks. Kathy Martinez brought seeds from the America the Beautiful program. And the group went crazy going through them. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

#### NLIA Executive Board Meeting July 28, 1994

The Executive Board met to set dates for clean-ups, nawsletters, discuss CDBG requests, appointing the scoretary's replacement, and other miscellaneous items. Attending were: Delorse Todd, Maxim Lee, Marguardte Johnson. We discussed the remaining money of owe CDBG sellostions. Delorse showed the much-needed office supplies and letterheads purchased. Plans were mide for a one-page newsletter yet to be sent on this year's allocations.

Tentative dates discussed included: Fall clean-up and chipper October 14 Bentember 12 meeting-member members of city commission discuss and answer questions regarding development and zoning in North Lawrence October 10 meeting- City engineers office to talk about culvertre placement and maintenance November-Thanksgiving dinner shared with Ballard Center December- again will sponsor a lighting contest Newsletters: will work on the week of: September 25 December 26 March 20 Spring clean-up April 14 Marguerite asked about using some of the money donated by the Unity Church of Lawrence to help pay for school supplies. project of the Ballard Center. This will be brought up at the Sentem ber meeting.

Community Calend <b>a</b> r			
	NLIA General Meeting 7:00 6th & Lincoln		
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Nov 15	Holiday Dinner 6:00 Ballard Center		
Nov. 24	Thanksgiving		
Dec. 1	CDBG Requests Due		
Dec. 12	NLIA General Meeting		
Dec 19-23 NLIA Christmas Judging Lighting Contest			
Dec.25	MERRY CHRISTMAS		

condition to closing 4th street, and the unsightly appearance of the 4th street intersection. Mr. Boyle was to take these concerns back to officials of Union Pacific.

#### Regular Agenda

Due to the absence of the secretary, no minutes were read.

Marguerite gave the treasurers report.

Delores gave the final report on CDBG requests:

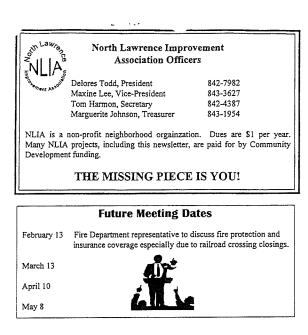
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A reminder of the Christmas decorating contest was given. Coleen Tabbert has been busy calling on neighborhood businesses and has been very successful in getting donations.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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#### CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST RESULTS

Once again, our Christmas



\$ 1,900.00

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1,980.00

2,982.00

\$ 12,862.00

As you may have noted in the December minutes, the NLIA turned in the following requests for Community Development Block Grant moneys:

The CDBG advisory board is now considering all of the requests. If

approved, money will become available August 1, 1995. Coming up with

Operating expenses

Clean-up (chipper)

Playground Equipment

(Twirl for 4th St. Park)

House Numbers

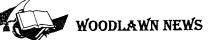
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Decorating Contest was a huge success. The winners and their prizes are: First place - Tom and Linda Lee - \$45 gift certificate from Johnny's Tavern; second place - Glen and Ellen Miller -\$25 gift certificate from Tanger's Factory Outlet Center; third place - Mrs. T. L. Roberts - \$20 gift certificate from Pine's Greenhouse; fourth place -Maxine Lee - 4 dinners from Fatman's Restaurant; fifth place -Sandra Walker - 2 dinners from La Tropicana; and sixth place -Jack Todd - 3 dozen cookies from M & M Bakery and video rentals from Miracle Video. Several houses in North Lawrence were featured in the Journal World.

Plans are already underway for next year's contest with possible categories including businesses, homes. mobile most dramatic/creative use of lights, and best decorated blocks. Our thanks go the merchants for their generous donations for the winners, and we hope to include more next year. We can also show our appreciation by supporting our neighborhood businesses. Also, thank you to Coleen Tabbert for her contacting the businesses, and to our judges this year, who are employed by a North Lawrence business (but wish to remain anonymous). The job isn't as easy as it may seem.

#### ideas for using Community Development funds is a year round process. Anytime you think of a possible project, bring your idea to one of our meetings or contact one of the officers. Take a look around your own block and think of possible improvements. Again, I need to thank Marguerite Johnson for making the presentation before the advisory board. And speaking of the CDBG advisory board, we are still looking for another representative from North Lawrence. The meetings have already started with the other targeted neighborhoods having two representatives, and North Lawrence just one. This means we are losing representation. If you

North Lawrence just one. Inis means we are losing representation. If you are interested, call Delores Todd - 842-7982, or Margene Swarts - 832-3117. This is an interesting board to sit on and a good way to learn about your city.



Woodlawn School is instituting a pre-school reading program. This will be held on Mondays beginning February 6 at 10:45 a.m. All pre-schoolers 3-5 years old are invited to listen to the principal, the librarian, or other volunteers read stories. This includes day-care providers. This is an excellent way to expose children to books as well increase their listening ability and expand their imaginations. If you have a child/children in this age range, please take advantage of this program.

Woodlawn School still needs volunteers to help in various ways at the school. If you have some extra time, call the school at 832-5920.



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Minutes of the North Lawrence Improvement Association

#### September 12, 1994

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by President Delores Todd.

Minutes from the May 9, 1994 meeting were read by acting secretary Tom Harmon.

Treasurer Marguerite Johnson reported \$2470.00 in the treasury.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- 1. CD report Tree planting. NLIA was informed by Fred DeVictor's office that trees will be planted from N. 5th to N. 7th streets on Locust street
- 2. Opening on CD Board. Names are being sought to fill the North Lawrence seat on that board. Kathy Martinez was suggested.
- 3. Clean-up. Plans for the fall cleanup are under way. NLIA is making the arrangements for the wood chipper,
- 4. Newsletter. News items are needed for the next edition. Also an Editor is needed.
- 5. By-law changes. Maxine Lee made a motion to change the dues payment deadline from Jan. 2 to the second Monday in September. The motion was seconded by Marguerite Johnson. The motion passed. A second vote will be taken at the October meeting.
- 6. 1995 NLIA Officers. Officers will be elected at the October meeting.
- 7. Office supplies. A word processor has been purchased with CDBG funds, it will be available for use at Delores Todds house. Stationary with NLIA letterhead is also now available.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- A letter dated June 3, 1994 from Mayor Jo Anderson, concerning the infrastructure of North Lawrence was read aloud by Delores Todd.
- Minutes dated June 27, 1994, NLIA special meeting, were read by Tom Harmon. Maxine Lee made a correction to the statement about the size of lots from 25 feet to 50 feet that have been grandfathered in

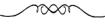
City Commissioners Bob Moody, John Nalbandian, Jo Anderson, Doug Compton and Bob Schulte were present. Commissioners made an opening statement before the discussion began.

John Nalbandian posed the question "What do residents want North Lawrence to look like"? He stated he is willing to do whatever North Lawrence residents want, with a full understanding of the consequence of those actions. Decisions to maintain a rural atmosphere may prohibit future development opportunities.

- Jo Anderson expressed her interest in working together with North Lawrence residents.
- Bob Schulte stated "I would like to see North Lawrence retain it's rural, small town atmosphere". He personally does not have a problem with special standards for North Lawrence.
- Bob Moody said "Downzoning is no problem but the size of downzoning is a concern". He also stated that due to the topography of North Lawrence it would be very difficult to install a storm sewer system. Floor was opened to discussion.

Who's responsible for clearing storm drainage ditches and culverts?

Mike Wildgen, City Manager, said it is the responsibility of the home owner or tenant to keep the ditches and culverts clear. The city has purchased a "Super Sucker" to clean ditches and culverts at corners and outlets.



#### Minutes of the North Lawrence Improvement Association

October 10, 1994

Terese Gorman was present to discuss culverts, ditches and residential drainage. Ms. Gorman reported that there had been \$39,600 spent to date on drainage/ditch cleaning. If a culvert is replaced, (usually at a cost of \$4-6 per linear foot) gravel will be replaced (concrete also). When a culvert is cleaned, the ditch is cleaned on both sides for the entire block

On October 12, 1994 the stormwater master plan will hold a public meeting and will address long range plans for North Lawrence.

Bids will be taken on a pumping station to be located on North Second street by the end of the year.

Lvnn Goodell from the Housing and Neighborhood Development office spoke to the group briefly about housing affordability. He talked about development currently happening in North Lawrence and plans for future development. Mr. Goodell addressed the city purchase of property on North Seventh Street. He presented a tentative plan that would create a private street and places houses 4 or 5 deep into the lot facing the common private street. Public reaction was not favorable to this plan. There are also neighbors opposed to the plan

#### Regular Meeting Agenda

Minutes approved as read by Tom Harmon

- Treasurers report: \$256.21 Bank Balance
- + 27.00 September dues paid - 16.00 Supplies to Delores Todd

Storm water drainage surveys were handed out - return by mail to Margene Swarts.

The League of Women Voters will tour the juvenile detention on Saturday, November 19. Centenary United Methodist Church, 4th and Elm, will host a lunchcon.

Community Development requests are due at the November meeting.

By-law changes read. Maxine Lee moved to accept the changes. Marguerite Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

A letter from David Baird was read, asking for NLIA support in opposition of the demolition of 223 North Seventh to create low income housing. Mr. Baird is asking the city to sell to an individual family rather than create rental units. Mary Pears moved to support Mr. Baird. Julia Bond seconded. The vote was four in

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favor, five against, no abstentions, Motion defeated

The floor was opened for nomination of officers. Julia nominated Delores Todd for President, second by Louisa Davis. Beverly nominated Maxine Lee for Vice-President, Tom Harmon for Secretary, and Marguerite Johnson for treasurer. Louisa Davis seconded. All officers were elected as nominated.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15.





Minutes of the North Lawrence Improvement Association

November 9, 1994

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Maxine Lee.

Minutes of the October 10 meeting were read by Tom Harmon

and approved. Treasurers Report:

> \$272.21 Bank balance 10.00 cash on band

Beverly Cates moved to accent the report, Ellen Miller seconded.

#### Motion approved. **Business Report**

1. Depot Report, Mike Wildgen reported the depot had acquired the land and buildings on the north and south side of Locust St. Federal money was used for the purchase. A combination of 80% federal money and 20% city money will be used to revamp Locust Street to N. 3rd. Effective immediately, train traffic will increase through North Lawrence. There will be an approximate increase from 65 trains per day to 130 trains per day.

2. North Lawrence Development Plan. Bob Moody reported that he will ask the city commission for a recommendation of the North Lawrence Development Plan by the end of the year. The recommendation is expected to include downzoning lot sizes from RS2 to RS1. This would affect large areas subject to redevelopment such as 9th &

Lake, 8th & Lyons and 8th & Oak

Road Development: any new developed street would increase to 24' width with two ditches and parking on one side only.

Storm Water: initiate ditch maintenance system to maintain ditches.

- 3. Ballard Center. Ballard Center will host an annual Thanksgiving dinner. Turkey, ham, mashed potatoes and gravy are provided. The NLIA has traditionally donated \$25.00 toward the dinner, Mrs. Miller moved to donate \$25.00 for Thanksgiving and \$25.00 for Christmas, Motion was seconded and passed.
- 4. Detention Center. The deptention center will host an open house Saturday 19.
- 5. Christmas Contest. Christmas yard decorating contest will begin after Thanksgiving.
- 6. Parks and Recreation. Delores Todd. Coleen Tabbert, and Maxine Lee had a meeting with Fred DeVictor. The city is giving \$14,000 worth of playground equipment to Lyons Park.
- 7. CDBG. CDBG requests will include:
  - \$ 1,400.00 newsletter \$ 3,000.00 chipper and cleanup \$ 150.00 misc. \$10,000.00 culvert replacement

\$ 2,000.00 for house numbers

- 8. UP and FMC. The train track crossing at 9th Street will close. FMC and UP have agreed. FMC is planning some extension. Some questions were raised and it was suggested that we invite FMC and UP to speak to us about the changes.
- 9. Representative. A CDBG representative is needed. Shirley North was suggested as a possibility.
- 10. CBW. The city has negotiated to purchase the CBW building for \$399,000. Plans are to recreate a recycling center. It will be on the

city comission agenda on November 15.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30.



#### Minutes of the North Lawrence Improvement Association

December 12, 1994

Representatives from FMC Corporation and Union Pacific Railroad were in attendance to present their plans for closing the North Ninth crossing. Al Herring and Dave Figuieres from FMC explained UP's railway through North Lawrence was the husiest coal corridor in this area Now eight trains a day pass through with an additional twenty after March. The speed limit through this area is 40 miles per hour. They explained while the closing of North Ninth was UP's decision. it fit into their plans also, and wanted to let neighborhood residents know of their plans. FMC plans to upgrade their packaging system. They presently have a problem with leakage. This is a \$10 million plus project. The basis of the project is the need to move the loading dock on the north side of the warehouse. The expansion will add 12.000 square feet and be 120 feet high. Construction will start in the spring of 1995. Dave Boyle, an engineer from Union Pacific, explained their concern and why they wanted to close the crossing. A traffic count on September 25, 1994 showed:

281 - 9th street crossing 192 - 8th street crossing 1233 - 7th street crossing 1194 - 3rd street crossing

LIP feels the grade of the 9th street crossing and the number of trucks and other traffic using the crossing makes it so dangerous. Mr. Boyle was the engineer involved in the fatal accident on the tracks on 3rd street, and related his personal experiences.

Neighborhood residents questioned the closing of our streets as the railroad and city already closed vehicle traffic on N. 4th. Concerns included fire protection, insurance rates, inability to cross at other crossings, lack of UP's promise to upgrade the 8th street crossing as a

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# NORTH I AWRENCE COURIER

## SPRING 1996

#### NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## CDBG UPDATE

WE HAVE APPLIED FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS FOR LIGHTING FOR JOHN TAYLOR PARK AT 7TH & WALNUT AND LIGHTING AND FITNESS EQUIPMENT FOR RIVERFRONT PARK AT 4TH & WAL-NUT.

## NEIGHBORHOOD

## CLEANUP

A NEIGHBORHOOD CLEANUP DAY HAS BEEN PLANNED FOR FRIDAY APRIL 19TH. HAVE YOUR ITEMS PLACED AT YOUR REGULAR TRASH PICKUP LOCATION BY 7:00 AM FOR CITY CREWS TO PICKUP. ALSO, NEW-TON MULFORD OF MULFORD'S TREE SERVICE WILL PROVIDE A CHIPPER FOR DISPOSAL OF LIMBS.

## CHRISTMAS LIGHTING

## CONTEST

THE WINNERS OF THE NLIA CHRIST-MAS LIGHTING CONTEST WERE TOM LEE, 1ST PLACE, EDWARD DODSON, 2ND PLACE AND ED MOON 3RD PLACE. PRIZES ARE \$25.00 GIFT CER-TIFICATE FOR 1ST PLACE, \$15.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR 2ND PLACE AND \$10.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR 3RD PLACE. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS AND THANKS TO ALL WHO DECORATED THEIR HOMES AND YARDS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

## NEWSPAPER RECYCLING

LONNIE'S RECYCLING AT 501 MAPLE NOW HAS A NEWSPAPER RECYCLING BIN ON THEIR LOT FOR NEWSPAPER RECYCLING. JUST LOOK FOR THE BIG BLUE BIN ON THE NORTH SIDE OF BU'ILDING TO PLACE YOUR UN-WANTED NEWSPAPERS.

## MINUTES

## **NOVEMBER 13TH**

REPRESENTATIVES FROM FMC GAVE A PRESENTATION ON FINDINGS OF LEVELS OF ARSENIC FOUND IN GROUND WATER NEAR THE PLANT. ATTENDING WERE AL HERRING, FRED VON AHRENS, PAUL STUDE-BAKER AND JOHN FISHER. INFORMATION WAS HANDED OUT AND QUESTIONS FROM NEIGHBORS WERE ANSWERED.

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY TED BOYLE, PRESIDENT. TED AN-NOUNCED WE NEEDED A SECRETARY, AND RICHARD HEDGES VOLUNTEERED.

SUGGESTIONS WERE NEEDED FOR CDBG REOUESTS. SUBMITTALS NEED TO BE TURNED IN BY DECEM-BER 1ST. DELORES REMINDED THE MEMBERS THAT THE PROPOSALS NEED TO BE APPROVED BY THE MEMBERSHIP. SHE SUGGESTED A SPECIAL MEETING OR CALLING COM-MITTEE TO APPROVE THE REOUESTS. SUGGESTIONS INCLUDED LIGHTING AT 4TH STREET PARK AND JOHN TAYLOR PARK, BENCHES ON THE LEVEE, RAILING ON THE UNDER-PASS, PICNIC TABLES AT LYONS PARK, FENCE ON THE LEVEE, DAWN TO DUSK LIGHTS AT THE BOAT DOCK AND "WELCOME TO NORTH LAW-RENCE" SIGNS.

TED TOLD OF LINCOLN JOHNSON'S HOUSE BURNING DOWN. LINCOLN IS A LONG TIME NORTH LAWRENCE RESIDENT. TED IS TAKING DONA-TIONS.

A MOTION WAS MADE TO DONATE \$50.00 TO LINCOLN JOHNSON AND \$10.00 TO HOSPICE IN MEMORY OF RAYMOND TINGLE. THE MOTION PASSED. TED MADE THE MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.

## MINUTES

## **DECEMBER 11TH**

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY TED BOYLE, PRESIDENT.

TED DISCUSSED ITEMS TO BE RE-QUESTED FOR CDBG FUNDS. THEY INCLUDED LIGHTING FOR JOHN TAYLOR PARK (6 LIGHTS) AND RIVERFRONT PARK AT 4TH & WAL-NUT (3 LIGHTS) AND WARM-UP EQUIPMENT FOR RIVERFRONT PARK.

THERE WAS DISCUSSION ABOUT THE WARM-UP EQUIPMENT. DE-LORES TODD QUESTIONED WHAT REASONING AND JUSTIFICATION WOULD BE USED FOR THE EQUIP-MENT NEEDS FOR LOW INCOME PEOPLE. SHE NOTED THAT WE MUST BE PREPARED FOR JUSTIFICA-TION.

TED REQUESTED INPUT FOR THE JAIL LOCATION DEBATE. HE ASKED THAT EVERYONE TO KEEP AWARE OF WHAT THE CITY IS DOING IN THIS REGARD.

TED UPDATED THE MEMBERS ON THE NORTH 2ND STREET WORK, AD-VISING THAT A 40 INCH DRAINAGE PIPE WAS BEING INSTALLED ACROSS NORTH 2ND STREET AND THE ENTIRE PROJECT IS SCHED-ULED TO BE COMPLETED BY JULY.

TED EXPLAINED THE PLANNING DE-PARTMENT HAD SENT OUT 200 LETTERS CONCERNING LOT SIZE ON PROPERTIES IN THE SOUTHEAST AND NORTHEAST PARTS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD EAST OF SEVENTH STREET. HE WILL CALL THE PLAN-NING DEPARTMENT AND INVITE THEM TO ATTEND EITHER THE JANUARY OR FEBRUARY MEETING. HE WILL ALSO GET A LIST OF PROP-ERTY OWNERS THAT RECEIVED THE LETTER.

MARGUERITE JOHNSON REPORTED THAT THERE WAS \$193.49 IN THE ACCOUNT. MAXINE LEE MADE A MOTION TO PURCHASE COOKIES FROM THE AL-TERNATE HIGH SCHOOL TO USE FOR OUR MEETINGS. IT WAS SEC-ONDED BY MARGUERITE JOHNSON AND APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS.

TED INTRODUCED KENT SNYDER. HE AND TWO OTHER INVESTORS (REAL ESTATE INVESTORS) ARE LOOKING AT THE PROPERTY AT 7TH AND LOCUST TO PURCHASE AND DEVELOP INTO TWO OFFICES AND TWO 2-BEDROOM APART-HE PASSED AROUND MENTS. PLANS FOR THE PROPERTY AND ASKED FOR INPUT ON THE REZON-ING TO RO-2. MEMBERS LET THEIR OPPOSITION BE KNOWN AND AD-VISED MR. SNYDER THAT THE NLIA WOULD OPPOSE ANY PLANS TO DE-VELOP THE PROPERTY INTO APARTMENTS.

TED TOLD EVERYONE THAT A NEWSPAPER RECYCLE BIN HAS BEEN PLACED AT LONNIE'S RECY-CLING. THIS WAS AFTER TANGER OUTLET MALL SAID THEY DID NOT WANT IT LOCATED AT THE OUTLET MALL.

MAXINE LEE ADVISED THE BALLARD CENTER WANTED AN AD-DITIONAL \$20.00 FOR THE THANKSGIVING DINNER. MARGUE-RITE JOHNSON MADE A MOTION NOT TO GIVE BALLARD ANY ADDI-TIONAL MONEY AT THIS TIME. ELLEN MILLER SECONDED THE MO-TION AND IT WAS APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS.

TED ASKED ABOUT EITHER ADOPT-ING A FAMILY OR GIVING \$25.00 TO BALLARD CTR. FOR CHRISTMAS. COLLEEN TABBERT MADE A MO-TION TO DONATE \$25.00 TO BALLARD CENTER. ELLEN MILLER SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS.

TED ASKED WHAT SHOULD BE DONE ABOUT THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST. IT WAS AGREED THAT GIFT CERTIFICATES WOULD BE THE BEST.

FRED JOHNSON MADE A MOTION THAT THE SUPER TARGET STORE BE CONTACTED TO JUDGE THE CONTEST AND THAT WE ASK THEM FOR THE GIFT CERTIFICATES. JEFF JOSEPH SECONDED THE MOTION AND IT WAS APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS. IAXINE LEE MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. IT WAS SECONDED BY JEFF JOSEPH.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:03 P.M.

## MINUTES

## **JANUARY 8,1996**

MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:11 P.M. BY TED BOYLE, PRESI-DENT.

TED EXPLAINED THAT HE HAD CONTACTED THE TARGET STORE REQUESTING THAT THEY SPONSOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST. AFTER SEV-ERAL TRIES TO GET A RESPONSE, TED CONTACTED REPRESENTA-TIVES FROM AMERICAN MEAT AND RESER'S FOODS TO JUDGE THE CONTEST. TED ESCORTED THE COUPLE AROUND THE NEIGHBOR-HOOD ONE EVENING. THEY JUDGED AS FOLLOWS:

1ST PLACE-TOM LEE

2ND PLACE-EDWARD DODSON

3RD PLACE-ED MOON

TED SAYS HE WILL WAIT TO HEAR FROM TARGET TO SEE IF THEY WILL DONATE THE GIFT CERTIFI-CATES. IF NOT, TED WILL CONTACT OTHER BUSINESSES TO GET PRIZES FOR THE CONTEST.

TED HAS RECEIVED 16 RESPONES OUT OF THE 200 PEOPLE CON-TACTED ABOUT THE REZONING. TED PASSED AROUND A LIST OF **RESIDENTS THAT THE LETTER WAS** MAILED TO. ELLEN MILLER COUNTED THE NAMES ON THE LIST AND CAME UP WITH ONLY 71 TED SAID HE WOULD NAMES. CHECK INTO WHY THE LIST WAS SHORT. HE ALSO EXPLAINED SOME OF THE QUESTIONS HE RECEIVED ON THE REZONING ISSUE. HE SAYS WE NEED MORE INPUT ON THE RE-ZONING IF WE EXPECT ANYTHING TO BE DONE.

THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT WILL BE CONTACTED TO INVITE THEM TO ATTEND AN NLIA MEETING. TED WILL ALSO CONTACT ALL PAR-TIES THAT CONTACTED HIM OF THE PLANNED MEETING.

CHERYL MILLER ASKED THAT ZON-ING BE EXPLAINED IN THE WSLETTER. THERE WAS FUR-THER DISCUSSION CONCERNING ZONING AND WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT. JEFF JOSEPH SUGGESTED A LET-TER DIRECT FROM THE NLIA TO RESIDENTS ASKING FOR INPUT AND EXPLAINING REZONING ON A MORE SIMPLE BASIS.

JEFF JOSEPH ADVISED THAT THE CITY WAS TO GET \$22.5 MILLION FOR STORM DRAINAGE FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. HE CALLED BURNS & McDONALD EN-GINEERING FIRM IN K.C. ABOUT THE PROBLEMS AND WAS ADVISED THAT HIS QUESTIONS WOULD NOT BE IGNORED AND WILL GET SOME-THING DONE FOR NORTH LAWRENCE.

MARGUERITE JOHNSON GAVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT AND SAID WE HAD \$114.80 IN THE ACCOUNT AND \$17.00 CASH ON HAND FROM DUES.

TED ASKED DELORES TO LOOK OVER THE CDBG APPLICATION TO SEE IF OK.

DELORES MOVED THAT THE MEET-ING BE AJOURNED. COLLEEN SECONDED THE MOTION. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:26 P.M.

## **MINUTES**

## **FEBRUARY 11,1996**

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY TED BOYLE, PRESIDENT. THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY MEETING WERE READ.

TED ASKED DELORES ABOUT CDBG APPLICATIONS. SHE SAID DECI-SIONS WOULD BE MADE IN MARCH OR APRIL. TED THEN EXPLAINED THE APPLICATIONS HE HAD SUB-MITTED. THEY WERE FOR LIGHTS IN JOHN TAYLOR PARK AND RIVER-FRONT PARK AT 4TH & WALNUT ALONG WITH FITNESS EQUIPMENT TO BE PLACED IN RIVERFRONT PARK.

TED THEN GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE WALNUT STREET TRAILER PARK EXPANSION. HE CALLED THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND THEY ADVISED THAT 8TH STREET WOULD BECOME A RESIDENTIAL STREET BECAUSE ARTERIAL STREETS MUST BE 35 FT. WIDE. HE SAID THAT MR. ZAREMBA WOULD HAVE TO GO TO COURT TO GET THIS CHANGED IF THE 2020 PLAN WAS ADOPTED. THE TRAILER COURT WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO EXPAND.

TED KEEPS IN TOUCH WITH THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT CON-CERNING THE CUL-DE-SAC IN THE 500 BLOCK OF LINCOLN STREET AND WALNUT STREET LOCATIONS. IT SEEMS JOHN CHANEY IS HOLD-ING OFF ON THE CUL-DE-SAC FOR NOW.

TED SAID THAT WE WILL HAVE A NEWSLETTER OUT SOON AND IT WILL HAVE LOTS OF INFORMATION INCLUDING AN EXPLANATION ON ZONING.

THE PETITION CAMPAIGN CON-CERNING THE WALNUT STREET TRAILER PARK EXPANSION NETTED APPROXIMATELY 400 SIGNATURES WITH GLEN & ELLEN MILLER SPEARHEADING THE CAMPAIGN.

DELORES TODD SUGGESTED THE NLIA ADOPT SPECIFIC NEW HOME PLANS. WE NEED TO GET THE OLD PLAN AND UPDATE SPECIFYING LOW DENSITY DEVELOPMENT, NEW BUILDING CODES AND TRAFFIC PATTERNS. JEFF JOSEPH SAID REF-ERENCE PLANS ARE IN THE BASEMENT OF THE CITY LIBRARY.

TED SAID HE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPART-MENT REQUESTING A WANT LIST OF STREETS AND CURBS NEEDING REPAIRS THIS YEAR DEADLINE IS MARCH IST.

TED SAYS WE NEED TO PLAN A SPRING CLEANUP DATE. IT WAS DISCUSSED AND AGREED TO APRIL 19TH FOR THE CLEANUP. MAXINE LEE WILL CALL THE SANITATION DEPARTMENT TO SEE IF THAT DATE WOULD BE OK.

TED NEEDS SUGGESTIONS FOR CDBG FUNDS FOR NEXT YEAR. WE NEED TO PLAN SO WE CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF FUNDS FOR IM-PROVING OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

TED ASKED FOR NEW BUSINESS OR COMMENTS ON OLD BUSINESS. SHIRLEY NORTH SUGGESTED 3-4 PEOPLE REVISE THE NEIGHBOR-HOOD PLAN AND THEN PRESENT THE PLAN TO THE GROUP.

DELORES TODD SAID SHE WAS ON THE FMC CITIZENS ADVISORY PANEL FOR THE ARSENIC CLEANUP AND ADVISED THAT NOTHING NEW HAS COME UP.

DELORES ASKED IF ANYTHING FOR NORTH LAWRENCE WAS IN HORI-ZON 2020 PLAN. TED ADVISED NOTHING HAS BEEN RELEASED YET. ELLEN MILLER ASKED HOW TO FIND OUT ABOUT THE MEET-INGS ON THE HORIZON 2020 PLAN.

TED ASKED THAT WE THINK ON WHERE TO PLANT TREES AND FOR OTHER ITEMS SUCH AS LIGHTING IN THE UNDERPASS TO REMEDY THE PROBLEMS TO KEEP THE LIGHTS FROM GETTING BROKEN BY USING UNBREAKABLE COVERS.

MARGUERITE JOHNSON GAVE THE TREASURERS REPORT. WE HAVE \$94.86 IN THE CHECKING ACCOUNT AND \$18.53 CASH ON HAND.

MAXINE LEE MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. JEFF JOSEPH SEC-ONDED THE MOTION. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:25 P.M.

## MINUTES

### **MARCH 11, 1996**

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY TED BOYLE, PRESIDENT.

TED SAID JOHN CHANEY HAS PUT THE CUL-DE-SAC ON HOLD FOR NOW DUE TO POSSIBLE FLOODING PROBLEMS. THE NLIA SENT A LET-TER TO THE CITY STAFF AND COMMISSION ON REQUEST TO LOOK AT PROBLEMS ON THESE PROJECTS.

FMC CORP REPRESENTATIVES WILL ATTEND THE APRIL MEETING TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE GROUND-WATER PROBLEMS.

TED EXPLAINED THE ZONING DUE TO CONCERNS AND QUESTIONS. A NEWSLETTER IS BEING PLANNED WITH THE ZONING MAPS IN-CLUDED. JEFF JOSEPH SPOKE UP ON THE LETTER THAT HE HAD SENT TO THE CITY COMMISION AND OTHER CITY STAFF. HE DID GET A RESPONSE BACK ΒY MIKE WILDGEN 4-5 DAYS LATER SAYING THERE WERE SEWER IMPROVE-MENTS BEING PLANNED FOR 1996 TO 1997.

TED SAID THE HORIZON 2020 PLAN MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE WEDNESDAY APRIL 3, 1996 6:30 PM - 10PM AT BUILDING #21 AT THE FAIRGROUNDS.

NORTH LAWRENCE WILL BE HAV-ING IT'S NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE MAY 4TH. THEY CAN CALL ELLEN MILLER AT 843-5105 FOR DE-TAILS.

TED SPOKE OF THE UNION PACIFIC DEPOT OPENING & DEDICATION SATURDAY MARCH 16TH FROM 10AM TO 4 PM.

CHERYL MILLER SPOKE UP & SUG-GESTED CERTAIN PEOPLE HADN'T GOTTEN THE ZONING LETTERS & MAPS. A LIST WAS MADE UP AND WILL BE GIVEN TO THE CITY STAFF TO SEND OUT MAPS & LETTERS AGAIN.

APRIL 19TH WILL BE THE NORTH LAWRENCE CLEANUP DAY. LIMBS WILL ALL HAVE TO BE LAYING ONE DIRECTION.

DELORES SAID THE CDBG WILL BE GIVING US FULL FUNDING ON OUR REQUESTS. CERTAIN PARTS OF THE CITY DIDN'T. WE WERE GIVEN THE MOST OUT OF ALL NEIGHBOR-HOODS. OVER \$18,000 WILL BE GIVEN TO THE NORTH LAWRENCE NEIGHBORHOOD FROM THE FUND/GRANT.

MAXINE MOVED TO ADJOURN, COL-LEEN SECONDED THE MOTION. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:30 P.M.

## **FMC GROUNDWATER**

## INFO

ON OCTOBER 25TH, 1995, RESULTS FROM A NEW MONITORING WELL SHOWED THE PRESENCE OF ARSE-NIC IN THE GROUNDWATER TO THE SOUTH OF THE FMC PLANT. FMC IS WORKING WITH REGULATORY AGENCIES, LOCAL OFFICALS AND AREA RESIDENTS TO BETTER DE-FINE GROUNDWATER IMPACTS AND TAKING THE NECESSARY MEAS-URES TO ASSURE THE PUBLIC HEALTH IS PROTECTED. IF YOU WANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FMC OFFICALS WILL BE AT OUR APRIL 8TH MEETING AT THE I.O.O.F. HALL AT 7 PM. IF UNABLE TO AT-TEND

AND YOU WOULD LIKE MORE IN-FORMATION, YOU CAN CONTACT PAUL STUDEBAKER (FMC E&H EN-GINEERING) AT 749-8139 OR AL HERRING (FMC ENG. & TECH MANA-GER) AT 749-8135.

## ZONING

ENCLOSED IN THIS NEWSLETTER ARE COPIES OF ZONING DISTRICTS FOR YOUR INFORMATION. THIS INFO SHOULD HELP YOU UNDER-STAND HOW ZONING MAY EFFECT YOUR PROPERTY. THE CITY PLAN-NING DEPARTMENT WILL ATTEND OUR MAY MEETING TO HELP AN-SWER QUESTIONS ON THESE MATTERS. IF YOU WANT TO FIND OUT HOW YOUR PROPERTY IS ZONED, GO TO THE PLANNING DE-PARTMENT AT CITY HALL AND LOOK YOUR PROPERTY UP ON THEIR ZONING MAPS. OR CALL 832-3154, or 832-3161 for MORE INFORMATION

## UNION PACIFIC DEPOT REDEDICATION

THE UNION PACIFIC DEPOT WAS DEDICATED ON MARCH 16TH. LAW-**RENCE CONVENTION & VISITORS** BUREAU OFFICES WILL BE LO-CATED AT THE DEPOT. ALSO THERE ARE MEETING AND CONFER-ENCE ROOMS AVAILABLE FOR RENT TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

## YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD **ASSOCIATION**

JOIN THE NORTH LAWRENCE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION. WE WORK TO HELP MAKE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE. TO DO THIS WE NEED INPUT FROM AS MANY RESIDENTS AS POSSIBLE. ONLY WITH GOOD COMMUNICATION CAN WE IM-PROVE TO MAKE NORTH LAWRENCE ONE OF THE BEST NEIGHBORHOODS IN LAWRENCE. JOIN TODAY, DUES ARE ONLY \$1.00 PER YEAR. MEETINGS ARE HELD THE SECOND MONDAY EACH MONTH AT 7:00 PM AT THE ODD FELLOWS HALL AT 615 LINCOLN ST.

NLIA OFFICERS

PRESIDENT TED BOYLE 841-6955

VICE PRESIDENT **MAXINE LEE 843-3627** 

SECRETARY RICH HEDGES 843-0498

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## NORTH LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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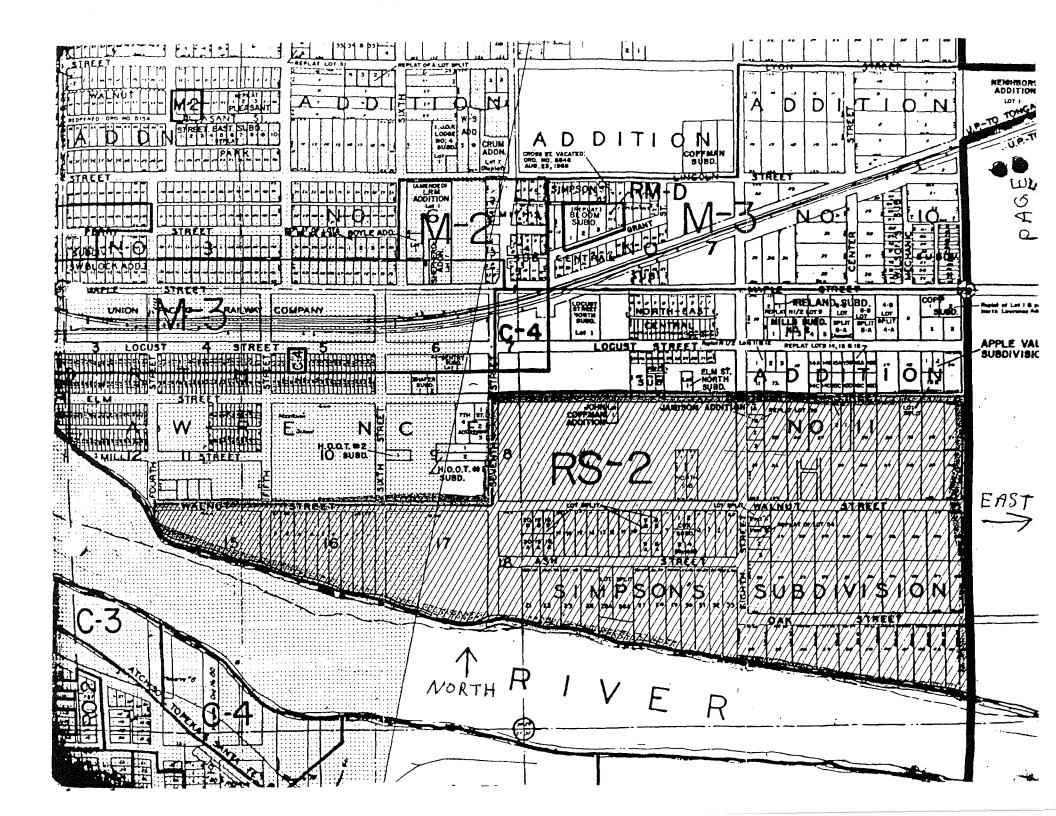
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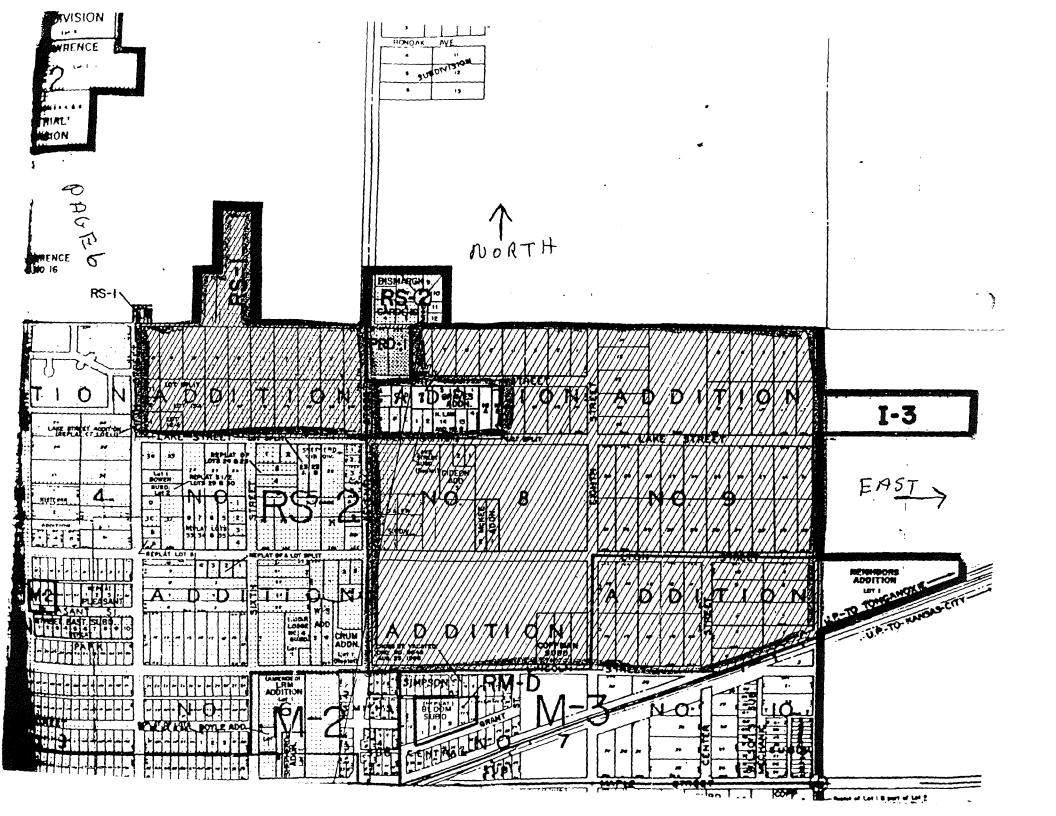
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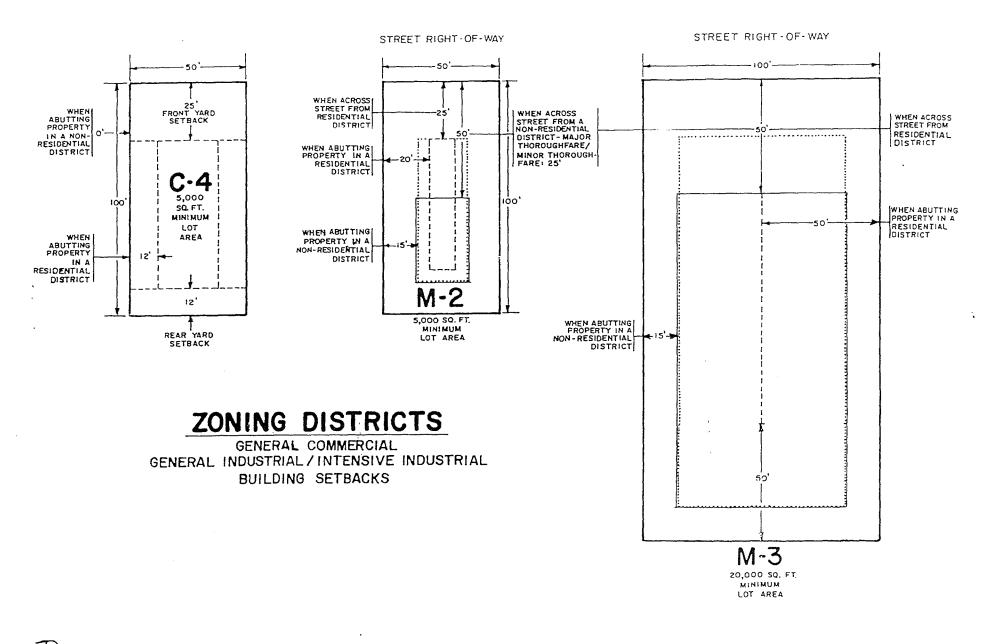
The NORTH LAWRENCE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION is currently undertaking a planning study of portions of the North Lawrence Neighborhood. These areas are identified on the attached map.

The Neighborhood Association is seeking your opinions about possible zoning changes for parcels within the identified areas on the map to a lower density single family residential classification.

If there is significant support for this proposal, a formal rezoning petition will be circulated PAGE and a study session will be held. Following that, the Neighborhood Association in conjunction with Lawrence/Douglas County Planning Department staff will formally seek these rezoning changes.

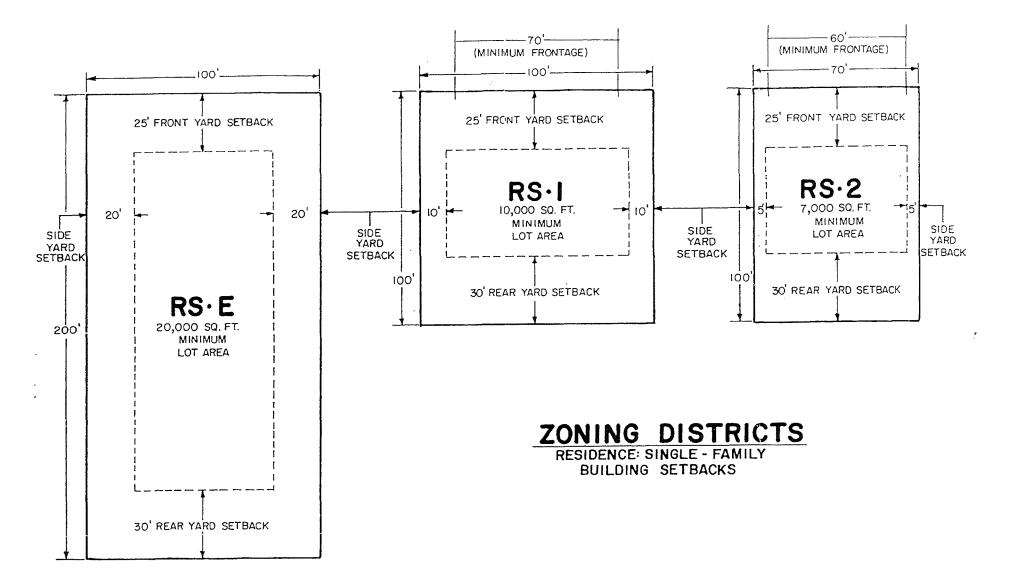






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# NORTH LAWRENCE COURIER

## SUMMER 1996

NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## <u>Community Development Block</u> <u>Grant Update</u>

The CDBG Funding Requests we made last fall have been granted and the North Lawrence Neighborhood will be receiving all items that had been requested. Originally the neighborhood was only granted \$15,280.00 of our total request of \$24,920.00 for space & security lighting for John Taylor Park and Riverfront Park. This is in addition to \$1,900.00 for operating expenses and \$1,000.00 for neighborhood cleanup.

We should soon be receiving new park equipment for Riverfront Park at Fourth & Walnut Street. We will be getting a merry-go-round aged specifically at the younger set. If you have other ideas for this park, let us know.

We need to be planning for what we want to request for CDBG requests for this fall. We need to get an early start so we can have all our estimates and be ready to turn the requests in by the deadlines. CDBG budget requests must be for improvements that will benefit low - moderate income residents and the North Lawrence Neighborhood. Anyone with suggestions for these funding requests, we need your input, if you have any ideas for our parks, sidewalk repair or any area that needs attention, please contact Ted Boyle @ 841-6955 or Rich Hedges @ 843-0498. BE CREA-TIVE ! BE UNIQUE ! BE IN-VOLVED !

North Lawrence needs a new representative to serve on the Community Development Advisory Board. As a targeted neighborhood we are entitled to two representatives. Chris Schmid still has two years left on his term: Delores Todd's term has expired. Serving on this board is a great experience. It is a way of getting to know about other neighborhoods and public service agencies in our town. An organizational meeting is usually held in December. Weekly meetings (usually Thursday nights) start in mid--January with neighborhoods and agencies presenting their proposals. Deliberations begin, allocations are made, public comments are taken, then the city commission makes a final decision. If you are interested in serving on this board, (terms are for three years), call an officer, or if you have further questions call Delores Todd, 842-7982; or Chris Schmid 841-9428.

## Woodlawn News

School starts with a half day session on Tuesday August 20th and

first full day on Wednesday August 21st. Remodeling and expansion of Woodlawn school is underway. Remodeling of the classrooms is expected to be completed by start of school in August and the office and kitchen remodeling should be finished in the early fall. The old gym will become a multi-purpose room and office area. The new gymnasium is expected to be finished in January or February 1997.

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## **Ballard** Center News

The Ballard Community Center is looking for a volunteer who may be willing to help us with light maintenance projects. Example: changing light bulbs, repairing bookshelves, replacing door knobs... This would be about 4-6 hours per month, if you are interested or have any questions, please call Stephanie H. Keller at 842-0729.

The Ballard Center's Board of Directors are looking into ways to make the center more neighborhood oriented. Uses may be health-related, entertainment, educational programs, etc. If there is a program or specific use you would like to see at Ballard Center, call Delores Todd at 842--7982 or LaMerle McCoy at 841--0616.

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## FMC Groundwater Update

Many residents have called with concerns on the FMC Groundwater issue. We are including excerpts from the June 26th FMC Community Advisory Panel meeting, background on the the issue and information of the plant's operations.

## <u>Health Issues in Groundwater</u> <u>Concerns.</u>

Chris Fevurly presented information regarding potential health effects of arsenic in the groundwater, as related to available data for understanding such issues in environmental medicine. He pointed out that the attempt to identify and understand these issues is still in its infancy, and that ongoing studies tend to raise serious questions and doubts about previous studies and their conclusions. Studies have developed from research on both animals and humans. The Maximum Contaminant Level - "M.C.L." - utilized by Environmental Protection the Agency, was established in the mid-sixties, declaring that arsenic contaminants above 50 parts per billion (p.p.b.) make water unfit for humans to drink. This figure had been derived in part from a study in Taiwan which found persons were averaging 710 p.p.b. or more in their drinking water. In this population, it was found that, over their lifetimes, thickened skin lesions on palms, soles and torsoes were recorded, as were changes in pigmentation on areas of the skin. These and other manifestations sometimes developed into skin cancers.

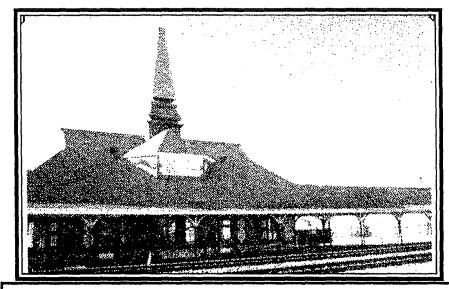
Fevurly emphasized that acute ingestion will be deadly (as in "Arsenic and Old Lace"). Quick death can result from ingestion amounts in the range of 60,000 p.p.b. In comparing these figures to the exposure, in some of the relevant test sites, to approximately 150 p.p.b., Fevurly tends to see little basis for concern. He also pointed out that arsenic on the skin is not a problem. Inhalation of arsenic dust can be quite serious, with known relation to lung cancer. Protection from this risk seems to be adequate. In response to questions raised about collection of arsenic on fruits and

regetables, whether from water in the ground, or from spraying and irrigation, Fevurly stated that he sees no dramatic risk. Others continued to question the dangers, leading to the discussion which centered on *risk*, and the various aspects of knowledge, control and choice involved in regard to the risks. At least two very different views were expressed; Fevurly concluded that, generally, very little risk is at issue according to the data with which he was working, while others saw major risks within their specific well situations. Furthermore. circumstances beyond their choice and control were seen to have such effects as lowering their property values. Fevurly reminded the group that his assessment is his own opinion, based on his study of the data. Rob Hartman elaborated on the use of wells on the FMC property to reduce concentrations of arsenic in the groundwater -- monitoring over the years has shown a slow decrease in overall arsenic conditions.

## <u>Update on Comprehensive Inves-</u> tigation and Interim Agreement.

Rob Hartman reported on the recent serni-annual groundwater monitoring, which included comparisons of results this Spring to last Fall's results. Fifty-five monitoring wells and five production wells were monitored from the northern edge of the plant to the southern wells near the river. The highest level of arsenic, at production well 4B, was comparable to last Fall. In the Fall, Approximately 20 monitoring wells had

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**Union Pacific Depot/Vistor Center** 

The Union Pacific Passenger Depot was rededicated on March 16th. It is now home to the Lawrence Visitors Center. The Visitor Center hours are 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 1 p.m. -5 p.m. Sunday. The Depot/Visitors Center has 2 rooms available, 1 for \$15.00 per hour and the other for \$20.00 per hour, for meetings or receptions. Call the City of Lawrence Parks & Recreation Department to make reservations @ 832-7920..

## Arsenic in the Environment

Arsenic is the 20th most abundant element in the earth's crust and is present in all rocks, soils and waters at some level:

Average for the earth's crust Range for soils Average for soils in Kansas	<b>Concentration,</b> <u>parts per billion</u> 2,000 1,000 to 40,0000 6,800
Rainwater	0.2 to 0.5
Typical U.S. groundwater	1 to 2
Average U.S. drinking water	2.4
Typical U.S. surface water	3
Drinking water criteria level	50
Irrigation water criteria	100
Taiwanese well water (China)	170 to 800

arsenic levels at or above the M.C.L. This Spring, 10 of those 20 had such levels, and none of the wells previously unimpacted are now impacted. Although FMC is now ready to go into the field for the planned additional monitoring, they have not yet had the opportunity to meet with the Kansas Department of Health of Environment to finalize an agreement with them. A draft of a proposed I.A. has been sent to KDH&E, but they have not yet responded. CAP members indicated interest in continuing to be informed on progress on the Agreement, with satisfaction expressed regarding the background information received and desire for updating on future monitoring.

## **Other Concerns**

In response to the question of whether FMC has other concerns of environmental impact, Paul Studebaker responded that the other primary concern for air continues to be monitored and is being handled satisfactorily. Some discussion of ongoing occasional truck traffic problems identified some needed modifications being pursued with the City personnel.

## Excerpt from FMC CAP Meeting

Beverly Barnhart commented that she had heard of potato farms in this area prior to FMC acquiring the land, and that it is known that potato growers regularly used arsenic (confirmed by another as "Paris Green"). She therefore questioned if FMC should be

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"blamed" for all the arsenic contamination. Al Herring responded that although there may have been other contributing factors, FMC accepts responsibility for its contribution of arsenic to groundwater, and will do what it can to relieve any negative results.

## **Other Information**

Also included in this newsletter is a diagram showing the manufacturing processes at the FMC plant.

## <u>Letter from Mayor John Nal-</u> <u>bandian</u>

The following is a letter in its entirity from Mayor Nalbandian to Ted Boyle, President NLIA: Dear Mr. Boyle:

You may have noticed an increase in the presence of graffiti in and around your neighborhood. The City, working with the County, has recently changed the way in which we are addressing graffiti removal, because of the increased incidents of property damage. I am requesting the assistance of your association and its members in reporting incidents of graffiti. If graffiti is observed on private property, we would ask that you contact the Lawrence Police Department at 832-2570. A patrol officer will be dispatched to photograph and document the graffiti. The officer will contact the property owner to request the timely removal of the graffiti and share

information about available community resources.

Douglas County Community Corrections work crews will paint over the graffiti at no cost to the owner, if requested by the owner. Or, if the property owner prefers to paint over the graffiti, paint <u>may</u> be available through the Waste Reduction/Recycling Office at 832-3030.

We have received good voluntary cooperation in the past, however, the increasing incidents of graffiti and the reluctance of some property owners to remove the graffiti promptly, has caused us to develop additional steps to achieve the removal of this blight from our community.

If you would like additional information, please contact Rod Bremby at 832-3402. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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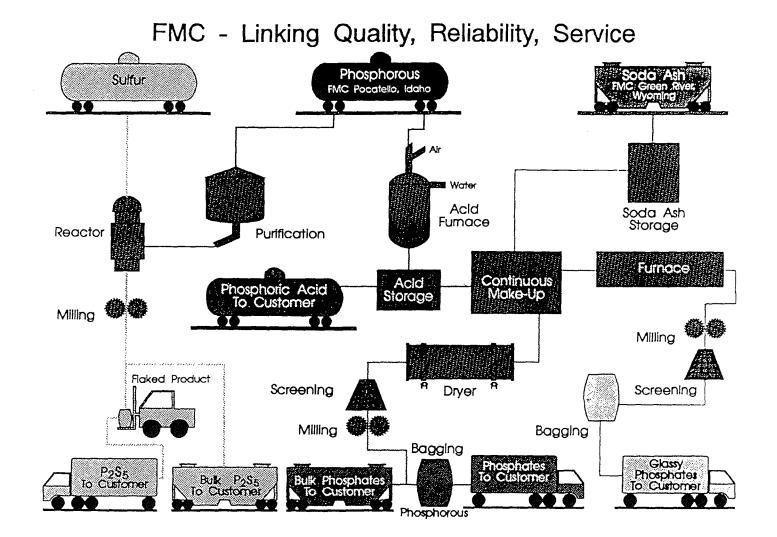
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# CITY OF LAWRENCE,KANSAS CITY OF LAWRENCE WASTEWATER UT LITY MAJOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND FINANCING NORTH LAWRENCE NEIGHBORHOOD ONLY SHOWN

Description	<u>1996</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	2002
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Major Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Lawrence-New P.S. No. 4	1,380,000	-	-	•	-	-	•
North Lawrence-Relief Sewers	180,000	1,018,000	-	-	-	-	-
North Lawrence-New P.S. No. 1	-	157,000	831,000	-	-	-	-
North Lawrence-New P.S. No. 3	-	-	-		-	-	1,140,000

All of these projects are required to meet design level of protection for collection systems facilities.

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Neighborhood Cleanup FRIDAY OCTOBER 25TH

A neighborhood cleanup is planned for Friday October 25th. You will need to have any items you want picked up at your regular pickup location by 7:00 a.m. Friday morning. *If you have any lumber items, they must be bundled and have any nails removed or they will not be picked up.* 

We also included information on refuse collection, hazardous waste disposal and recycling in this newsletter.

# <u>North 2nd Street</u> <u>Update</u>

Paving and lane striping on the North 2nd Street widening project is completed Landscaping and finishing touches will be done this Fall and completed in the Spring of '97.

C.D.B.G.Information

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# FMC News

The following are excerpts from the Community Advisory Panel meeting September 25,1996. Discussion of Proposed Guide-

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Bob Shelton presented a draft of proposed guidelines for the FMC Community Advisory Panel from the August meeting. Several suggestions were made for improvements.

# **Groundwater Situation**

# Update

Al Herring reported the the State Department of Heatlh & Environment has not yet signed the Interim Agreement. In addition, issues remain concerning the provisions of water to property owners affected by groundwater contamination, with the major problems centering on what the City of Lawrence will do in light of its normal policy of providing city water only when property is annexed into the city.

# Tabletop Emergency Exercise Plans,

Dennis Greenfield discussed the plans for the exercise to be held Wednesday, October 16th, 7:00 p.m. at the Douglas County Emergency Operations Center, located at 111 East 11th Street (lower level of the Judical Center). The Exercise scenario will be timed for the noon rush hour at 12:30, in order to maximize the complications to be explored in the simulation. Observers have vital roles in raising questions for the emrgency team members, who, according to Greenfield, learn a good deal from the exercise. Arrangements were also discussed for a visit to Woodlawn School by Emergency Response personnel, at a time being worked out with Woodlawn principal, Gary Haworth.

# Process Safety Management.

Al Herring introduced Wilbur White, Senior Process Engineer for FMC, who is now working full-time with Process Safety Management for the plant. Herring pointed out that, while previous meetings have focused on hazardous materials and the specific hazards they can produce, the major emphasis of Process Safety Management is to avoid major incidents. This emphasis is driven by both legally binding regulations and by the growing determination of the chemical industry to assure that catastrophic events do not occur.

Wilbur White answered the question of "What is Process Safety Management" with the definition of the Center for Chemical Process Safety - the application of management principles and systems to the identification, understanding, and control of process hazards to prevent process related injuries and incidents.

# Site Activities for the Coming Month.

A plant safety drill including an evacuatio, is likely to take place before November 1. The new training center is completed, and is available for future CAP meetings

# <u>Lift Station and</u> <u>Relief Sewers Project</u>

An engineering study for a lift station and relief sewers project has been completed. The study recommended conruction of a lift station in the 8th & Jak street area with replacement of sanitary sewer lines along North 8th street from Oak Street to near Maple Street. The schedule for this project is to bid the project in May of 1997 with a proposed construction start date of July 1,1997.

# <u>North 8th Street</u> <u>Drainage</u>

The Stormwater Management Master Plan calls for improvements along North 8th Street. The project has a priority level III based on cost benefit ranking. This translates into a 10-15 years for the utility to construct these improvements. The Public Works department recently improved drainage along North 8th Street and the stromwater utility fee will provide accelerated maintenance of roadside ditches and culverts in problem area such as this.

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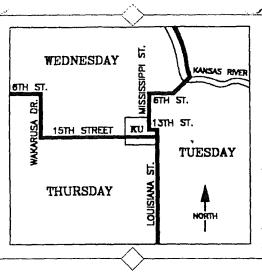
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# **Refuse Collection**

## **Household Refuse Days:**

Tuesday collection: All residents in North Lawrence. All residents who live east of Louisiana Street and South of 6th Street. Also, all residents who live east of Mississippi Street between 6th Street and 13th Street only.



## Wednesday Collection:

All residents who live North of 15th Street from Mississippi Street west to Wakarusa. Also, all residents that live north of 6th Street from Tennessee Street west to the City Limits.

## Thursday Collection

All residents who live South of 15th Street from Louisiana Street west to the City Limits. All residents who live between 6th and 15th Street west of Wakarusa to the City Limits.

# **Other Collection Services**

Tire Collection: Limit five tires Per Household. Large Item Pick-up: Such as refrigerators, ranges, washers, couches etc.

These Collection Services are provided by appointment only. To schedule an appointment for these services please call the Sanitation Office at: 841-1911. Drop off Site for Household Hazardous Waste: Lawrence and Douglas County Household Hazardous Waste Facility

Located at: 711 E 23rd Street

For acceptable materials and the facility's hours of operation please call the HHW information line at 832-3036.

# EARTHBOUND

\*Monday is city wide curbside collection for grass and leaves. Yard waste is collected for composting March thru December.

\*Christmas tree curbside collection days will be announced in the Lawrence Journal World or call 832-3030.

# Regulations

## **Tree Trimmings:**

Are to be bundled securely to a length not to exceed five feet and tied in bundles not more than 18 inches in diameter, and not more than 65 pounds in weight. These will be collected on your Household refuse day. Acceptable Containers: Chapter 9, Article 4, Section 402.1, of the Code of the City of Lawrence, Kansas.

"Each such container shall be constructed of metal, plastic or other materials approved by the director of Public Works, shall have a capacity of not more than 35 gallons, shall be watertight, shall be provided with two handles on the outside, shall be provided with a tight-fitting cover, and maintained in a state of good repair. Disposable plastic bags of sufficient thickness and strength to avoid rupture and tearing and disposable paper bags which are manufactured specifically for refuse disposal may be used for refuse by occupants of single family residences. Disposable bags are not permitted for multiple family residences or for accounts paying nonresidential rates unless facilities are provided to prevent scattering of refuse by animals, weather, traffic or other causes." Help us Help You keep your neighborhood looking nice.... Sawdust, cat litter.

sweeping compounds, shredded paper, facial tissues, packaging materials, etc., all blow in the breeze when containers are emptied by the collectors. Please bag these items before putting them out for collection.

Please pay special attention to fireplace ashes which need to be cooled thoroughly before bagging them for collection. It will take several days for a container of hot ashes to cool naturally.

# Pruglas County \* City of Lawrence Household Hazardous Waste Conection



# **OPEN THE THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH** April - October STARTING: April 20, 1996

# HOURS: 8 AM TO 12 PM LOCATION: 711 E 23RD

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For More Information Please Call City of Lawrence Waste Reduction and Recycling Division 832-3030

# Materials will be accepted from HOUSEHOLDS ONLY sources, in their ORIGINAL, LABELED containers only:

PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS	AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS	HOUSEHOLD CLEANING PRODUCTS
Pesticides	Antifreeze	Oven Cleaners
Fungicides	Transmission Fluids	Toilet Cleaners
Roach and Ant Killers	Brake Fluids	Drain Cleaners
Rat and Mice Poisons	Gasoline	Disinfectants
Herbicides	PAINTS AND HOBBY SUPPLIES	Rug and Upholstery Cleaners
House Plant Insecticides	Enamel or Oil Based Paints	Floor and Furniture Cleaners
Arsenicals	Rust Inhibiting Paints	Bleach Cleaners
Botanicals	Thinners and Turpentine	Ammonia Based Cleaners
Carbonates	Furniture Strippers	Abrasive Cleaners and Powders
Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	Wood Preservatives	Mothballs
Organo-phosphates	Stains and Finishes	Photographic Chemicals
	Kerosene	Pool Chemicals
MISCELLANEOUS PRODUCTS		
Household Batteries	Products labeled :	
Nail Polishes/Removers	DANGER, POSION	

# Materials NOT ACCEPTED:

Hair and Deodorant Sprays

UNKOWN MATERIALS (NO LABELS)	Infectious (Medical ) Wastes	Fluorescent Light Tubes
Ammunition	Radioactive Wastes (Smoke Alarms)	Compressed Gas Cylinder
Explosives	Asbestos	

WARNING AND CAUTION

For information on unacceptable materials, call the local Kansas Department of Health and Environment office at 842-4600.

# Recycling Drop-off Sites Aluminum, Plastics, Paper, Glass, Metals, Used Motor Oil and Antifreeze

# **Community Recycling Center**

Wal \* Mart 3300 Iowa

Aluminum cans and foils
Steel "tin cans"
Glass: Clear, Brown, Blue, Green
Corrugated Cardboard
Mixed Paper
White Office Paper
r'lastic Beverage: #1 and #2
Newspaper
Magazines
Catalogues

Dillons Food Stores (Store Locations) 1740 Massachusetts 3000 W 6 1015 W 23

• Aluminum can buy-back

• Milk and soda bottles Grocery sacks

Credit for sack reuse

Antifreeze

## •State Radiator

613 N 2nd



"One touch of nature makes the whole world kin."

.....William Shakespeare

Metals

(buybacks-ferrous and nonferrous)

**Polystyrene** Peanuts

(Clean and Dry)

738 New Hampshire

2540 Iowa, Suite J

•City Garage at 1141 Haskell

8 am to 5 pm Mon.- Fri.

•Jiffy Lube at 914 W 23rd

**Used Motor Oil** 

•Wal\*Mart Auto Center at 3300 Iowa

**During Regular Business Hours** 

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•Kaw Motors and Salvage Co.

1549 N 3rd

Lonnie's Recycling

501 Maple

913-843-2533

913-841-4855

•Pack and Ship Express

3115 W 6th

•The Mail Box

**\*Postnet Postal** 



Lawrence Guide to Recycling

(for a fee)

•Conservation Resources 913-842-1167 •Eco Services 913-841-1615

# Newspaper Drop-Off Sites

Alvin's IGA
9th and Iowa
Douglas County Fairgrounds 2110 Harper
Community Recycling located at Wal\*Mart 3300 Iowa
Hobby Lobby
6th and Kasold
Lawrence High School 1908 Louisiana
Lonnie's Recycling 501 Maple

# **Grass and Leaf Collection**

•Curbside Pickup

Monday is city wide curbside collection for grass and leaves. Collection period is March through December.

## •Cart Rental

65 gallon and 90 gallon rollout carts are available for rent. Call 832-3032 for more information.



Recycling information Refuse Collection Information CDBG Information FMC News U.P. Depot and Visitors Center Information

# <u>REMINDER</u>

Tuesday November 5th is Election day. Get out and vote !! Polling place is at the Union Pacific Depot and Lawrence Visitors Center.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday Oct. 14th NLIA Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Friday Oct. 25th - Neighborhood Cleanup

Thursday Oct. 31st - Halloween

Tuesday Nov. 5th-Election Day 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Monday Nov. 11th NLIA Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Thursday Nov. 28th Thanksgiving

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# NORTH LAWRENCE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday September 8th - N.L.I.A. Picnic John Taylor Park 7:00 P.M.

: Monday October 13th - N.L.I.A. October Meeting - I.O.O.F. Hall 7:00 PM

Friday October 10th - North Lawrence Neighborhood Cleanup

Monday November 10th - N.L.I.A. May Meeting - I.O.O.F. Hall 7:00 P.M.

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NORTH LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION



# NORTH LAWRENCE COURIER

**SUMMER 1997** NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

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## -------North Lawrence **Improvement** Association

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NEXT N.L.I.A. MEETING MONDAY OCTOBER 13TH 7:00 P.M. IOOF HALL

### N.L.I.A. Picnic

The annual North Lawrence Improvement Association will hold its' annual pot luck picnic at John Taylor Park on Monday September 8th at 7:00 PM. The N.L.I.A. will provide dinnerware, rolls, tea and kool-aid. Bring your lawn chairs and spend some time visiting with your neighbors. If you are new to the neighborhood come get acquainted and see what your neighborhood association is all about.

## Minutes 3/10/97 NLIA Meeting

Meeting started at 6:57 PM. Elmer James of James Gang Automotive spoke of the desire to run a small auto sales lot at his property. Elmer said that there wouldn't be many more cars than presently on the lot now. Questions were raised concerning the possibility of parking overload and possible problems of visibility for traffic in the area. The group was concerned of creating a problem at the intersection. Elmer reiterated the cars would be set back enough not to create problems like this.

John Chaney spoke of his desire and ideas of putting 12 more homes along Hickory Street between 7th & 8th Streets. Lot sizes would 66 ft x 276 ft. He gave a brief explanation of the area. Ted Boyle spoke of the city's request on the recycling of auto batteries. We will be learning about this more in the future. Ted mentioned a letter and request from Webster's to build a new office on 4th street adjoining the trailer park on the southside. Several questions were raised about traffic, parking, lot size - for office, drainage etc. The group requested more information and a site plan before they could talk about it anymore. The group will submit a letter to city staff for the

commission to defer this until we get more information.

Ted spoke of the letter and our request for capital improvement funds for guard rails and lights in the underpass area of the U.P. tracks.

Ted asked the group about other projects that they would like to see done in the area. Ms. Davis said she has concerns about curb and road repairs in her area. The question was brought up about the dirt on the 700 block of Lincoln Street (southside) on private property and what was happening with it.

Ellen Miller asked if anyone could look at the work that has been done near her home on the ditches and culverts. It bothered her the way the work had been done. Mrs. Sanders and Mrs. Hadl asked if anything could be done about the elevator noise. They had called the city and had no response.

A question was raised about the chance of moving the voting booths permanently to the U.P. Depot.

The group discussed the upcoming spring cleanup for North Lawrence. The Neighborhood cleanup and pickup will be April 11th for the spring and October 10th for the Fall. The group agreed that it should stay this way from year to year, the second Friday in April and October.

The group discussed the neighborhood garage sale making it on May 10th, the second Saturday of May. Delores spoke of requests for things pertaining to the needs of the Ballard Center.

We had 6 new members join at the meeting or renew their annual dues of \$1.00. Meeting adjourned at 8:03 PM.

### Minutes 4/14/97 NLIA

### Meeting

Rich Hedges read the minutes from the March meeting. Ted asked to approve

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### the minutes.

Ted said Elmer James wanted approval on his idea/plan to have a small car sales lot at his place of business. He had come to last month's meeting but the group had not voted on it. It was voted on and passed. He will now speak to the City and will be supported by the N.L.I.A.

John Chancy was asked to speak about his projects. He was questioned about the tube not draining on the 500 block of Lincoln Street at his project and future cul-de-sac. John said he would clear the tube and move it out of the ditch if necessary. Ted said the N.L.I.A. does not approve of curbs and gutters on the Hickory Road project. There was a lot of discussion on the controversy between open drainage ditches and curb/gutter and storm sewers. John said whenever you talk to different individuals within the City staff, you get different answers on the drainage issues and improvements in North Lawrence.

John said the drainage will all fall toward the back of the lots on Hickory Street project. People have a lot of concerns about this project and its' drainage and lot size. John says he has plans for 12 houses on this project. John mentioned the 2020 plan and in the next 20 years possibly seeing 800 new homes in North Lawrence. The question was raised about the big hole where dirt had been moved out.

Rich brought up that we are all concerned about the lot size and street frontage. City code allows narrow lots. Ted mentioned city staff memos saying street frontages of 100', 88', and 60' or 65' lots are being passed around for discussion with Mike Wildgen and the commission. Colleen asked John who owns the land east of 7th street & North. He said (Roger) Johnson does. The question was asked whether the North side of Hickory is city or county. Ted asked if we wanted to vote on 100' wide lots or 66' x '200' plus. 100' foot lots compared to

#### long narrow lots.

Ted asked for a vote. By building on  $66^{\circ}$  x 276' lots on Hickory Street, this would not allow North Street to continue to the east and would not allow lots on the south side of North Street east of 7th Street to be built on. It was voted on to leave the lots at  $66^{\circ}$  x 276'. It passed 10 to 2.

The treasurer's report was read by Colleen. She said we had \$341.00 in the bank, \$30.00 cash, and had just gotten a donation to the N.L.I.A. from Mrs. Weber. She is the owner of the 1st & Perry Street trailer park. She donated \$20.00 to the N.L.I.A. and also joined the N.L.I.A. for 5 years.

### Minutes 5/11/97 NLIA Meeting

Speakers Coy Drinnon & Roger Coffey of the city staff and Jerry Edwards planner. These speakers talked about sewer improvements. 8th & Oak Street has an existing lift station that is undersized and outdated. A new station will be located 400' or 500' east of 8th & Walnut Street. It will be 500' from the river levee. The lot will be lit on the exterior and will have a chain link fence. The lift station will have the appearance of an actual home. It will be constructed of construction block, and will be 25' x 30'. A second station will be at 7th & Grant. There is one at this point now. The present project is now in the hands of the government. This will be bid on possibly in early June and actual construction to start 4 to 6 weeks later. The system will involve gravity feed and force feed lines of 12" to 18".

Speakers from FMC - Fred Von Aherns, Plant Manager, showed a film on FMC employees and community involvement. They then spoke of continuous testing of the wells (water) on groundwater contamination. They spoke next on table top drills on possible hazardous situations. FMC has put on this type of drill at Woodlawn School. FMC spoke of ways to get the community involved in case of emergency situations which could arise. Meeting adjourned.

### Neighborhood Cleanup

Neighborhood cleanup will be Friday October 10th. Make sure you have all items you wish to discard at your regular trash pickup site by 7:00 a.m. A reminder, remove all nails from boards and place broken glass in suitable containers and mark it to prevent any injuries.

#### Reminder

Fall rains are just around the corner. Make sure your ditches and driveway tubes are clear of trash, debris and weeds. It is the property owners responsibility to keep ditches clean adjacent to their property. Take pride in keeping the neighborhood clean and help prevent a dangerous situation from happening by having the ditches clear so water can move through them not around them.

**U.P. Depot/Vistors Center** The Visitor's Center at the Union Pacific depot has a theater in the room at the east end of the depot. Every hour on the hour a film on the history of the City of Lawrence from 1854 to present is shown. The film is 28 minutes long and gives a look into the history of Lawrence.

## Progress in the Neighborhood

Through the efforts of the N.L.I.A. President, Ted Boyle, the lights in the walkways in the U.P. underpass are functioning again. Also, Ted has gotten estimates for repairing the guardrails along the walkways from Talley Welding. Ted is continuing to work with George Williams at the City Public Works Department to get this and other items repaired.

### Other News

On August 22nd at 6:30 pm, the dedication of the "Mobility" art work at the U.P. Depot was held.

N.L.I.A. Picnic September 8th 7:00 PM John Taylor Park 7th & Walnut Street

# HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES - A PROPER DISPOSAL GUIDE

### Q: Why are household batteries considered HAZARDOUS!

A: Household batteries have a high potential to be *corrosive*, a characteristic used by the federal government to classify hazardous waste. Also, some of the major components of a battery - cadmium, mercury, zinc and lithium - have the potential to be environmentally harmful and injurious to humans if disposed improperly. Some examples are, (1) lithium batteries are highly reactive with water if their casings are disturbed, and (2) mercury button batteries can be lethal if ingested - a fact that is particularly important in households with children.

Q: What is being done with the batteries turned into the Household Hazardous Waste collection?

A:The batteries which *can* be recycled using today's available technology are sent to federally licensed battery recyclers. The remaining batteries are carefully packaged, and sent to a federally approved hazardous waste landfill for proper disposal, thereby diverting them from the municipal

Collection dates for 1997 are the third Saturday of each month, April though October at 711 East 23rd Street:

Saturday, April 19 Saturday, May 17 Saturday, June 21 Saturday, July 19 Saturday, August 16 Saturday, September 20 Saturday, October 18

COLLECTION TIME: 8am to Noon

NOTE: Car batteries can be recycled year-round at the following locations in Lawrence:

LAWRENCE BATTERY COMPANY 903 N. 2nd + 842-2922 KAW MOTOR5 & SALVACE CO.

1549 N. 3rd - 843-2533 LONNIE'S RECYCLINC

501 Maple - 841-4855

Batteries have become an integral part of our daily living, providing convenience for many. However, as advancements in technology continues to increase, so do the amounts of hazardous waste. Unfortunately, proper disposal of this power supply is all too often overlooked.

The City of Lawrence Waste Reduction and Recycling (WR/R) Division believes that pollution prevention begins at home. This collection program provides for the recycling and proper disposal of household batteries. If you have questions about other hazardous products in your home, call the WR/R Technical Assistance Line at

## A NICKEL (Ni) FOR YOUR THOUGHTS? Developing awareness of household batteries and their

current use is essential to understanding the importance of this collection program. The following list provides facts about battery use and its impact on our solid waste stream:

- 2.5 billion dry cell batteries are sold in the US each year
- An estimated 530,000 pounds of batteries require disposal daily
- Americans own over 900 million battery operated devices
- The average household batteries accounted for 89% of the mercury in the municipal solid waste stream
- Alkaline and carbon-zinc batteries are the most common types of batteries consumed, comprising 90-93% of all batteries in the residential waste stream
- In a recent EPA study, nickel-cadmium (Ni-Cd) rechargeable batteries were found to contribute over 50% of the cadmium in the waste stream
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(SOURCES: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Franklin & Associates, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, Florida Department of Environmental Resources)





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# <u>Minutes 10/14/96</u> NLIA Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Ted Boyle, President, introduced Christine Tonkovich. Ms. Tonkovich is current District Attorney for Douglas County. She is running as the Republican candidate for the D.A. office. Ms. Tonkovich was appointed acting District Attorney when Mark Knight resigned. She was campaigning for the D.A. office in the upcoming election.

Alan Bowes from the Tenants to Homeowners spoke to the members in attendance about the Tenants to Homeowners and the Hand Addition programs. These programs are for low income individuals/families to help them become homeowners. Mr. Bowes also asked for public comment and support on these programs. Mr. Bowes would also like someone from North Lawrence to be a board member or liaison for the programs. There are currently 2 homes on North Seventh Street which are being prepared and Mr. Bowes hopes they will be occupied by Christmas.

Martha Bach from the City of Lawrence Planning Dept. spoke concerning downzoning in North Lawrence. She said most of North Lawrence is zoned RS-2. Ms. Bach also said that the present request for development at 8th and Elm Street met city codes. If the residents of North Lawrence were interested in getting the rezoning, a petition should be submitted to the City Commission with a high percentage of residents signing the petition. Ms. Bach says she needs to research how rezoning would affect existing lots.

John Chaney spoke to the group and apologized for his comments at the com-

mission meeting. Mr. Chaney has a site plan for his proposed addition on Lincoln Street. The cul-de-sac he proposes will have only 5 lots on it, down from the original 6 lots. The lots will be around 10,000 square feet each. He also explained how the drainage would be handled on this addition. Mr. Chaney also gave some insight on rezoning.

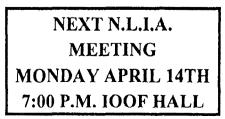
Marguerite Johnson gave the Treasurer's report. We received a check from Johnny's Up & Under for \$425.00. This donation was from the bungee jump they held in their parking lot. This gives us a new balance of \$462.04.

Ted gave a report on a meeting that was held at the U.P. Depot concerning the Los Amigos Club. The Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Ron Olin Chief of Police, and nearby neighbors of the club were in attendance. Jesse Del Campo wants help to control the problems surrounding Los Amigos. Suggestions ranged from closing earlier to additional security. Los Amigos license renewal comes up in March 1997.

Ted also mentioned that nothing has been decided on the Riverside Bar & Grill building since the fire recently. He says he is not sure that the owners are planning to rebuild at this time.

Election of Officers was held. Ted Boyle was re-elected President, Rich Hedges was elected Vice-President, Jeff Joseph was elected Secretary and Colleen Tabbert was elected treasurer.

Ellen Miller made a motion for adjournment. It was seconded by Jeff Joseph. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.



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# <u>Minutes 11/11/96</u> NLIA Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. Mr. Joe Snyder, principal for the new Free State High School, spoke, wanting to introduce himself to the different neighborhoods. He spoke of the transition from L.H.S. to the new Free State School. He also said for the first year it would be the choice of the juniors to choose which school they wanted to attend for their senior year. The new school will have all the same classes excent for autotech shop and woodshop. The new school will not have a swimming pool either due to the cost. There will be approximately 77 classrooms. Mr. Snyder's secretary is Connie Kessinger. The phone number to reach them at is 832-5000.

John Chaney thanked the NLIA for our recent support. He suggested we put together a list of improvements and building that we want to see in the neighborhood and to submit these ideas soon to the City Commission. He said Charlie Steinbacher will be in the area soon doing survey work for the upcoming sewer projects.

Ted Boyle spoke of the study session that he and Jeff Joseph attended at City Hall on 11/6/96. The meeting was with the City Commission, City Staff and Department heads directly related to stormwater, sanitary sewers and zoning. George Williams and Roger Coffey were two of the speakers.

Rich Hedges said that he had spoken with George Williams on 11/11/96 on the Maple Street storm sewer pump. George said the repairs and improvements should be complete within a couple of weeks.

Ted said we need to put together goals and ideas of what we need and want for future development for the neighborhood. John Chaney advised making all lots that would be suitable for building to have elevations of at least 818 feet above sea level. He also mentioned 75 to 100 ft lot frontage is probably best for the neighborhood. Anything wider the costs go up too much for the developers and this would most likely stifle growth completely in the neighborhood. It was suggested we speak to Linda Finger on the formation of ideas and actual wording by the City attorneys on our ideas. The treasurer's report said we had as of 11/11/96 - \$392.97 in funds. Ted spoke of improvements being needed at the U.P. underpass such as new lighting and handrails for the walkway. This could be improved by CDBG money for the upcoming year.

A vote was taken to buy turkeys for the Ballard Center upon request from Delores Todd. A vote was also taken to buy new books and supplies for the center. The vote was in opposition for the donations. The group is in favor of keeping as much money in the budget for NLIA as possible.

Marguerite Johnson asked if we could offer a small donation to the Oddfellows for use of the hall and utilities. There was a motion and it was seconded to donate \$25.00 to the hall.

The question was raised whether to have a Christmas lighting contest. It was voted upon and opposed for this year. Rich Hedges suggested to have a contest next year but to start it sooner and to get sponsorship from North Lawrence businesses.

It was suggested that we give the Ballard Center \$25.00 to assist a needy family at Christmas. The vote was passed. Meeting ended at 8:45 p.m.

# <u>Minutes 12/9/96</u> NLIA Meeting

Members of N.L.I.A. attended a study session and meeting at the U.P. Depot that pertained to the North Lawrence sewer system and the future plans and improvements that are in the works for this system. Engineers and City Staff spoke of the pump station and new relief sewer lines.

Our regular monthly meeting was held at

the depot as well immediately after the sewer meeting.

The meeting subject was mainly about the Maple Street Development and 8th and Elm projects.

Speaker Pete Moore, a realtor not a developer, said that they made a mistake by trying to build according to the City's zoning ordinance book.

Pete said the 8th and Elm project has been postponed for now due to infrastructure and drainage problems in the area.

The second project Pete spoke about was the building of houses in the 700 block of Maple. These lots would be 60 feet wide. It was mentioned by the N.L.I.A. that we were presently not impressed and opposed to the project due to the drainage, street and sewer problems in this area. Pete then requested that N.L.I.A. rethink the idea of this project.

Pete then mentioned that it was not feasable to build on bigger lots and much more expensive housing directly across the road from the U.P. tracks. Pete mentioned his people (owners) had already extended their funds on this project already and that they only have limited funds at this time.

The houses that they are planning on building are narrower in design which offer more side yard. Ted Boyle brought up the storm drainage problems in the area. Pete said that they are not trying to create more problems for anyone. Ted mentioned that the N.L.I.A. would like to see what this project would do to the neighborhood in the future. Pete mentioned that these houses are not government subsidized houses such as section 8. The question was raised that if we were to approve this project, would we (NLIA) be setting ourselves up for all other builders/developers in the future to build on 60 or 70 foot wide lots in the North Lawrence area.

It was said that we don't want to contribute to our present problems. We want to alleviate our problems.

Pete wanted to know, what he needs to get N.L.I.A. approval? What improvements besides the drainage? Ted questioned whether there were large entire site 'plans of the whole development available?

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

# <u>Minutes 1/13/97</u> <u>NLIA Meeting</u>

The meeting opened at 7:05. Ted Boyle asked if there were any questions pertaining to the 700 block of Maple housing project. There were no questions.

Ed Stroda, the developer, spoke offering information on the project. He brought blueprints and an overall site plan. Ed stated no actual sewer improvements would be made. There would be storm drainage improvements including all new tubes for the new homes, the main ditch would be cut deeper for better drainage to the east. Ted then asked if any improvements would be made to Maple Street., Ed said he wouldn't expect any except for the ditches and tubes.

Ted then spoke that there may be a controversy on the upcoming sanitary sewer improvements. Mr. Shellhorn & Mr. Dwayne Moller landowners of property that may be used for the 1st lift station replacement have concerns.

Ted spoke of our requests for C.D.B.G. funds. The money would be used for a computer, N.L.I.A. operating expenses & guardrails for the north side of the U.P. underpass.

Adjourned at 8:00.

# <u>Minutes 2/10/97</u> NLIA Meeting

Speaker Marian Abegg came to us saying

the Free State Walkers are planning a June 14th walk in North Lawrence. She was wanting input from the neighborhood about any historical sites that the group could walk by on their walk.

Speaker John Scanlan works with Habitat for Humanity came to the meeting telling us of the desire to put a new single-family home on North 8th Street. Ted told Mr. Scanlan we must see a site plan before we can approve of anything. The site plan should involve the home, lot size, drainage improvements, etc. The group also mentioned to Mr. Scanlan about flooding that happens in this area. Mr. Scanlan said he would check into the flooding and these problems in the area before they would buy the property. They don't want to buy a lot that Richard has wouldn't be buildable. drawn up a rough draft of ideas that N.L.I.A. would like to present to the City for the new building for the future of North Lawrence. It was voted on by the N.L.I.A. to send a letter of approval to the City on Ed Stroda's project on Maple Street. It did receive approval to go ahead on the project as long as they went according to the information that had been presented to the N.L.I.A. on the development. Issues of concern pertaining to the development were lot size, drainage, house size, etc. The group visited about the desire on future development to allow for gravel driveways in the neighborhood for better drainage. There was a discussion over the anticipation of the future growth for the north and east parts of North Lawrence. One area is Hickory Street and to the north. There is speculation that developers are presenting information to city staff on this area. Ted told the group of the requests for C.D.B.G. money and it's use.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10.

# FREE STATE WALKERS

On Saturday June 14th, the Free State Walkers are planning a walk starting at the Visitors Center at the restored U.P. Depot through the North Lawrence neighborhood. Anyone interested in the walk is welcome to join in. Marian Abegg would like to know of any historic homes or sites in North Lawrence that could be incorporated into the walk. Anyone with this type of information may contact either Marian @ 864-4720 (work) or 843-0636 (home) or Carol Church @ 842-3542.

# Douglas County Emergency Management

The following information comes from the Douglas County Emergency Management.

Douglas County Emergency Management hosted a Mass Fatalities Incident Response course January 27-29 at Law-

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rence Memorial Hospital. The course included participants from throughout the state. Participants represented law enforcement, fire, EMS and emergency management agencies, and funeral homes.

Participants learned how quickly mass fatalities can overwhelm local resources, and the need for preplanning. By the end of the three day course, participants were motivated and excited about the planning process for such an incident.

# Neighborhood Cleanup

Neighborhood cleanup will be Friday April 11th. Make sure you have all items you wish to discard at your regular trash pickup site by 7:00 a.m. A reminder, remove all nails from boards and place broken glass in suitable containers and mark it to prevent any injuries.

# Neighborhood Garage Sale

The 3rd annual North Lawrence Garage/Yard sale will be held Saturday May 10th. Call Delores Todd @ 842--7892 for further information.

# Voting Information

The next city election is Tuesday April 1st for election of City Commissioners and School Board Members. The voting place will be at Woodlawn School. In the General Election in November the North Lawrence precinct had a 59.7 % turnout and a 22 % turnout in the primary election in February. Make sure you vote on

election day !!! 🗗

# <u>Reminder</u>

Spring is just around the corner and so are the spring rains. Make sure your ditches and driveway tubes are clear of trash, debris and weeds. It is the property owners responsibility to keep ditches clea adjacent to their property. Take pride in keeping the neighborhood clean and help prevent a dangerous situation from happening by having the ditches clear so water can move through them not around them.

# Recycling Drop-off Sites Aluminum, Plastics, Paper, Glass, Metals, Used Motor Oil and Antifreeze

# **Community Recycling Center**

Wal \* Mart 3300 Iowa

Aluminum cans and foils
Steel "tin cans"
Glass: Clear, Brown, Blue, Green
Corrugated Cardboard
Mixed Paper
White Office Paper
Plastic Beverage: #1 and #2
Newspaper
Magazines
Catalogues

Dillons Food Stores (Store Locations) 1740 Massachusetts 3000 W 6 1015 W 23

• Aluminum can buy-back

• Milk and soda bottles

· Grocery sacks

• Credit for sack reuse

Antifreeze

•State Radiator

613 N 2nd



*"One touch of nature makes the whole world kin."* 

.....William Shakespeare

Metals

(buybacks-ferrous and nonferrous)

**Polystyrene** Peanuts

(Clean and Dry)

738 New Hampshire

2540 Iowa, Suite J

•City Garage at 1141 Haskell

8 am to 5 pm Mon.-Frl.

•Jiffy Lube at 914 W 23rd

Used Motor Oil

•Wal\*Mart Auto Center at 3300 Iowa

**During Regular Business Hours** 

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•Kaw Motors and Salvage Co.

1549 N 3rd

Lonnie's Recycling

501 Maple

913-843-2533

913-841-4855

•Pack and Ship Express

3115 W 6th

•The Mail Box

Postnet Postal

WHREA C Lawrence Guide to Recycling

**Curbside Recycling** 

(for a fee)

•Conservation Resources 913-842-1167 •Eco Services 913-841-1615

# **Newspaper Drop-Off Sites**

Alvin's IGA
9th and Iowa
Douglas County Fairgrounds 2110 Harper
Community Recycling located at Wal\*Mart 3300 Iowa
Hobby Lobby 6th and Kasold
Lawrence High School 1908 Louisiana
Lonnie's Recycling 501 Maple

# Grass and Leaf Collection

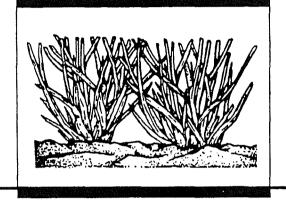
•Curbside Pickup

Monday is city wide curbside collection for grass and leaves. Collection period is March through December.

# •Cart Rental

65 gallon and 90 gallon rollout carts are available for rent. Call 832-3032 for more information.

# MOWING YOUR LAWN



Mowing is one of the most important factors in maintaining a good lawn. Correct mowing produces a neat, even, well-groomed appearance that is a source of personal pride and satisfaction. A lawn's density, vigor, water consumption, weed infestation and resistance to weather stress is largely affected by how one mows.

The effectiveness of other lawn maintenance—fertilizing, watering, weed control—depends on proper mowing. But, there is more to proper mowing than just cutting the grass.

# **Important Mowing Factors**

- Mowing Height
- Mowing Frequency
- Sharp Blade
- Clippings
- Mowing Pattern
- Mower Operation
- Mower Selection
- Mowing Safety

# How High to Mow

Mowing height mainly depends on the kind of grass and time of year. The various kinds of grasses have individual growth habits needing different mowing heights. Be sure the mower is set at the right height for the kind of grass you are mowing.

Cool-season grasses—bluegrass, tall fescue and ryegrass----are mowed taller than warm-season grasses

## **Recommended Mowing Heights for Home Lawns**

Bermudagrass	1-2 inches
Bluegrass	2–3 inches
Buffalograss	11,-3 inches
Ryegrass	2-3 inches
Tall fescue	3–3½, inches
Zoysiagtass	1–3 inches

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because of their erect growth habit. Because hot weather is a stress for cool-season grasses, they should be cut higher during the summer than in spring and fall. The additional foliage helps insulate the ground against heat, furnishes more food-producing area and maintains deeper roots during hot weather. Do not mow too tall, however, or the grass will become coarse, stemmy and often mat down.

Mowing cool-season grasses too short during hot weather places the turf under a stress requiring excessive watering. Repeated short, infrequent mowing causes thin, weak turf which will eventually be taken over by weeds. Avoid sudden and drastic lowering of cutting height (scalping) as this seriously diminishes root growth.

Mowing heights for warm-season grasses—bermudagrass, buffalograss and zoysiagrass—are shorter than for coolseason grasses because their leaves are produced on runners (stolons) which grow close to the ground. Warm-season grasses grow best during the summer, so there is no need to raise the summer mowing height to protect them from heat stress.

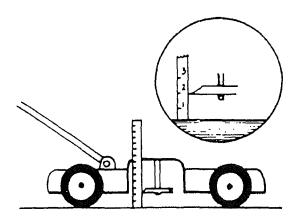
Bermudagrass and zoysiagrass build up excessive thatch when mowed taller than recommended. There is a strong correlation between mowing height and thatch accumulation. Grasses lose their drought resistance when a thick

### **Ranking of Tolerance to Short Mowing**

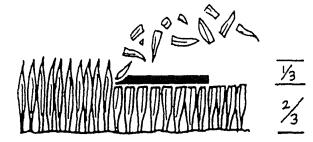
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Ryegrass	
Bluegrass	
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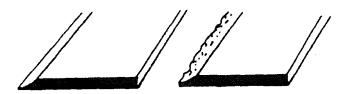
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Check the cutting height on a sidewalk or drive.

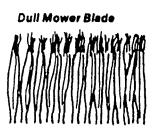


Don't cut off more than one-third of the grass.



Sharp Mower Blade





Sharp blades cut cleaner, quicker, and require less energy.

(more than  $\frac{1}{2}$ , inch) layer of thatch builds up.

Mowing height and frequency are the two most important aspects of mowing and also the two most often done incorrectly. They are closely interrelated and of equal importance.

## How Often to Mow

It takes frequent, consistent mowing to produce a highquality, attractive lawn. It is best not to remove more than one-third of the total leaf length at any one mowing. Waiting too long before mowing and then taking off most of the leaf tissue is a severe shock to the grass. This causes stubble, thinning out, excessive clippings, curtailment of root growth and requires unnecessary watering for the grass to recover.

Mowing grass that has grown much too tall is hard on the mower, takes longer to mow, produces an abundance of "hay" that must be removed and is generally an inefficient, harmful practice. In the summer, removing too much leaf area often results in sun scalding (turning white) of the lower leaves and stems.

Base the mowing frequency on the growth rate of the grass rather than on a set time schedule. This may require mowing twice a week in the spring, every two weeks in the summer and once a week in the fall. Weather conditions, which vary during the growing season, mostly determine how fast the grass grows, but watering and fertilizing also affect growth rate.

The shorter a lawn is maintained, the more often it must be mowed so as not to take off more than one-third of the leaf. Use the table at the bottom of this page as a guide for when to mow and how much to remove. If mowing is delayed because of weather conditions or vacations, it is advisable to raise the mowing height for the first mowing and gradually decrease the height in subsequent mowings until the original mowing height is attained.

# Keep the Mower Blade Sharp

The key to a quality mowing job is a sharp blade. Dull blades beat and tear the grass, leaving frayed leaf tips causing a whitish cast to the lawn. Sharp blades improve energy efficiency by cutting cleaner and quicker with less power. Sharp blades are especially important to zoysiagrass, ryegrass and tall fescue.

Inspect the blade after each mowing for nicks and dullness. The amount of mowing, kind of grass and debris struck determine the frequency of blade sharpening. It is a good idea to have an extra sharp blade on hand.

## When to Mow (To remove one-third)

Your mowing height	Mow when grass gets this tall	Amount of grass removed (one-third)
1 inch	1 <sup>1</sup> /, inches	<sup>1</sup> /, inch
11, inches	21/ inches	1/ inch
2 inches	3 inches	1 inch
2½, inches	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> inches	1½ inches
3 inches	41, inches	1 <sup>1</sup> /, inches
3½, inches	51/ inches	11, inches
4 inches	6 inches	2 inches

# Clippings: Catch or Let Fall?

Clipping removal is largely dependent on mowing frequency. If you mow often enough, the short clippings will filter down into the turf and do not have to be removed. Excess clippings from infrequent mowing exclude sunlight and favor disease development when wet. From the standpoint of reducing shock to the grass, it is best never to let the grass get tall enough so the clippings stay on top.

Using a mulching mower is another way to deal with clippings. Mulching mowers cut the grass and then recut the clippings. This makes the clippings smaller and lets them filter more easily into the turf. Mulching mowers should not be an excuse for letting the grass grow tall and then taking off more than one-third of the grass. In fact, they do not work well on tall or wet grass. The principles of mowing height and frequency also apply to mulching mowers. If the grass is mowed frequently enough there is no need for a mulching mower. If you are in the market for a new lawnmower then a mulching mower would be a good purchase, if not, there is no urgency to buy a mulcher.

Clippings do not contribute to permanent thatch because they contain 85 to 90 percent water and soft tissue which shrinks and decomposes readily. Clippings return about 25 percent of the fertilizer when they fall to the soil and are a source of organic fertilizer.

## Mowing Wet Grass

It is best to mow when the grass is dry, but during rainy weather, it is better to mow wet grass than let it get too tall. Dry grass is easier to mow and doesn't stick to the mower as badly. Wet clippings stain buildings, concrete and clothing and clump together on the lawn.

## Mowing New Lawns

Newly planted bluegrass, fescue and ryegrass should be mowed at 2 inches as soon as the grass becomes 3 inches tall. It does not hurt new grass to mow it. In fact, it is harmful to let the new grass get tall and then cut it back. This is a shock to the grass and results in coarse stubble.

New zoysiagrass, bermudagrass and buffalograss should be mowed at 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches as soon as there is anything to mow. The idea is to make it spread rather than grow upright.

New grass is quite succulent and tends to stick to the mower for the first few mowings. Try to mow on a warm, dry afternoon or evening. Avoid watering a day or two before mowing. Mow frequently to encourage the grass to spread and thicker.

## Don't Bump Trees With Lawnmowers

Bumping young and thin-barked trees with a lawnmower causes serious injury, reducing growth and vigor of the tree. What seems like only a minor bruise later enlarges into a deep wound destroying the cambium (growth) tissue just under the bark. Repeated bumping each time the lawn is mowed may result in eventual death of the tree.

It is better to trim grass by hand than to injure or kill the trees. Nylon cord trimmers can also injure young and thinbarked trees. Maintain a cultivated or mulched area 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet in all directions from the trunk.

## Mowing Pattern

It is a good idea to mow from a different angle each time so that soil compaction and turf wear from the mower wheels will be more uniformly distributed over the lawn. Grass blades tend to lean in the direction of mowing. This pattern can be minimized by mowing in different directions.

When mowing without a catcher, it is a good practice to mow in a clockwise direction, throwing the grass away from the building, walks and drive. Afterwards, throw the clippings away from the uncut grass by mowing counterclockwise. Most exhausts for clippings are on the right side of the mower. Repeatedly mowing over clippings that have been thrown on uncut grass is hard on the mower, wastes energy and results in a poor cut. This is not a problem with mulching mowers, however as they discharge the clippings beneath the mower deck.

Establish several mowing patterns that result in as few turns as possible. This not only speeds up mowing time, but reduces damage to the turf by mower wheels when turning.

## Mower Operation

Operate the mower at a safe speed (3 to 5 mph), this will cut the grass cleanly and thoroughly. Excessive speed causes the mower to bounce and cut unevenly. Slow down when making sharp turns to avoid damage to the turf. Make wide, gradual turns when possible.

Keep the mower properly adjusted and watch for loose or broken parts. Check the engine oil level each time you fill up with gas and change it according to the manual. Air cleaners need frequent cleaning, especially when mowing in dusty conditions. Grease wheels, bearings, chains and shafts according to the directions. Become thoroughly familiar with the operator's manual.

Clean dirt and grass from the mower housing immediately after mowing or it becomes dry and hard to remove. A putty knife is handy for this purpose. Also, wash off the mower, but do not get water on the hot engine.

## **Mower Selection**

Select a mower large enough to mow the lawn in a reasonable amount of time, but small enough to be maneuverable. Be sure the mowing height is adjustable within the range recommended for your grass. Select an engine with sufficient power and check on availability of parts and service.

Two basic types of mowers are used for lawns—the reel mower and the rotary mower. Both types have certain advantages as well as some disadvantages. The reel mower produces a smooth cut, runs quietly, is more energy efficient, usually doesn't scalp on uneven ground and doesn't throw hard objects. They are especially good for close-cut turf (1 inch or less). Disadvantages are that reel mowers are relatively expensive, won't cut high grass or weeds, and must be adjusted and sharpened by a professional.

Rotary mowers are relatively inexpensive, cut high grass and weeds, and are easy to sharpen and maintain. They can be dangerous, are noisy, take more power than reel mowers and may scalp uneven close-cut turf.

# Safety

Power mowers can be dangerous and cause serious injury. Become familiar with the equipment, use good judgement and be safety minded.

- Read the operator's manual for safety instructions.
- B Pick up all debris before each mowing.
- Keep children and pets a safe distance from mowers.
- Keep feet and hands from blades when starting and running engine.
- Wear sturdy shoes and long pants.

- Operate mower at a safe speed of travel.
- Always push mower rather than pull it toward you
- Watch your footing on steep slopes and wet grass
- Don't leave a running engine unattended.
- Refuel the engine only when it is shut off and cool.
- Wear goggles when operating cord trimmers and power edgers.
- Stop engine and disconnect spark plug wire before working on engine or blade.
- Keep the mower in good repair and adjustment.

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City of Lawrence, Kansas Waste Reduction and Recycling Division 3 March, 1997 Mollie Mangerich Operations Supervisor (913) 832-3030

# SAFE DISPOSAL FOR HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES IS IN THE BAG!

(Lawrence, Kansas) Ever go to pitch that used battery in the trash and wonder if there was a better way to dispose of it? Well, look no farther! The City's Waste Reduction and Recycling Division has partnered with Hamm Companies to make the proper disposal of household batteries a bit easier for Lawrence and Douglas County residents. A resealable, reusable plastic bag has been designed and produced by Hamm Companies for distribution through the City's Waste Reduction and Recycling Division. Lawrence households may now store unusable batteries in this bag until it is convenient to bring to a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event. Staff and volunteers will remove your batteries and return you bag! For Douglas County households interested in receiving a "battery bag" -- please contact the Waste Reduction and Recycling Division at 832-3030.

Household hazardous waste collection occurs on the third Saturday of the month, April through October at the Douglas County Public Works yard located at 711 E. 23rd Street. Hours are 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.

Collection Dates: Saturday, April 19 Saturday, May 17 Saturday, June 21 Saturday, July 19 Saturday, August 16 Saturday, September 20<sup>o</sup> Saturday, October 18

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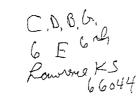
NLIA Picnic September 14 – 7:00 p.m. John Taylor Park Shelter House. Pot Luck. NLIA will provide drinks and tableware. All Welcome.

NLIA Meeting and Elect Officers October 12 – 7:00 p.m IOOF Hall, 6th and Lincoln

NLIA Meeting November 9 – 7:00 p.m. IOOF Hall, 6th and Lincoln

NLIA Meeting December 14 – 7:00 p.m. IOOF Hall, 6th and Lincoln North Lawrence Improvement Association 310 Elm Street Lawrence, KS 66044

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LONNIE'S RECYCLING • 501 Maple Street

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O'REILLY'S AUTOMOTIVE • 906 North 2nd Street

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# Reminder:

Make sure your ditches and driveway tubes are clear of trash, debris and weeds. It is the property owners responsibility to keep ditches clean adjacent to their property. Take pride in keeping the neighborhood clean and help prevent a dangerous situation from happening by having the ditches clear so water can move through them, not around them.

Woodlawn News Enrollment...... August 10 School Opens ....... August 21 Kindergarten ....... August 24

NORTH LAWRENCE COURIER

Summer/Fall 1998

NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

## Neighborhood Cleanup

North Lawrence cleanup with limb pick up – October 9, Friday. Have limbs at trash pick up place, free of metal and trash, and 4 tires per residence. Lonnie Faler of Lonnie's Recycling will follow the City trucks and pick up metal items that the city will not pick up.

## Minutes N. L. I.A. Meeting February 9, 1998

Our guest speaker was Rich Barr with the City of Lawrence Fire Department. He talked about fire safety and other related issues. Rich said Lawrence usually has 1-1.5 million dollars lost on the area due to fire per year. Residential property loss is the greatest. Smoke detectors are a law now, he said. The use of space heaters are quite dangerous and are a risk. Things near a heater can easily be ignited. It's very important to know that smoke detectors are inexpensive and very beneficial. They are very effective. He also said not to use regular extension cords, use power strips instead. Ted spoke of the guard rails/hand railings for the Union Pacific underpass and the

recent bid of \$20,000+ by Bob Talley being submitted to the City of Lawrence. He said George Williams and Mike Wildgen will be looking at the project very soon. There is a good possibility of this being taken care of by Capital Improvement Funding. We also spoke of the recent blight and environmental codes and the possible changes coming up. End of meeting.

### Minutes N. L. I. A. Meeting March 16, 1998

March meeting was postponed one week due to bad weather on March 9, 1998. Our guest speaker for the meeting was Officer Tom Moore from the Lawrence Police Department, He presently works with the Special Projects Unit. City of Lawrence population is 80-90 thousand people now. Officers are now constantly on call. They most generally go call to call to call, L.P.D. received about 71,000 calls in 1997. From these 71,000 calls there were about 18,000 actual reports made. They have 10 detectives now on the force. These men usually work about 450 cases a year. He compared North Lawrence to the Oakland area of Topeka. Mr. Moore spoke of neighborhood watch groups. He said they work best when it is not over a 1 to 2 block area. If the area is bigger than this it gets too spread out. The idea is to help watch your own neighborhood, knowing the vehicles coming and going into the area, your area's homes and to be able to notice strange happenings in the area. It's good to be nosey to help the neighborhood!

There are steps you can take to protect your own home and property. Upgrade your home with deadbolts on all exterior doors, locks on all windows, security

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signs and security lighting. On your door locks and jams you should have at least 2 1/2" screws for security on your door face plates. Keep your shrubs and trees trimmed low around the house. Also, he mentioned how inexpensive security lighting is now, the type with motion detectors, and how effective it is. Mr. Moore also mentioned labeling/marking your personal belongings; guns, stereos, T.V.s, VCR, etc. Something to identify your belongings if they were to get stolen or recovered. He mentioned the area of 23rd to 31st, Louisiana Street to Iowa being the worst area now for burglary and theft. The neighborhood watch signs are \$20.00/sign and are recommended at each end of the block. Ted spoke that it could be a possibility to use CDBG funds for signs in the area.

Mrs. Lowther of 509 N. St. said they have scrapped the idea of the home that was burned being used as an art studio/building. The City of Lawrence was not responsive to the project. The house will now be used for agricultural purposes. The house will be possibly turned into a greenhouse or something like this. It won't be used for retail sales. Meeting adjourned.

## Minutes N. L. I.A. Meeting April 13, 1998

Ken Daring with F.M.C. spoke. He mentioned North Lawrence is an area of having the possibility of a chemical spill. F.M.C., the Union Pacific tracks and truck traffic are all potential candidates for problems. He visited about Shelter In Place. This is where you would have a plan for safety to stay in your home in case of an actual emergency due to a chemical spill. There are many things to have ready for this situation such as flashlights, food, portable battery powered radio, first a kit, to name a few. It would be advised to go to a small room centrally located within your home. You should turn off all fans, A/Cs and furnaces and close all windows, during Shelter In Place. Paul Studebaker spoke on the

### Summer/Fall 1998 ground water situation. The update recently is that there is no significant change

since last year on the water problem. F.M.C. will be putting in a green space, planting area which would include a wild life area as well on the South and Fast sides of the plant. A walking trail would also be included. May 9th will be the North Lawrence Area garage sale within the community. Ted brought up the idea of getting names of persons and locations of where they live in case of any of the previously mentioned problems of chemical spills or emergencies. This will be an ongoing job for our residences and many agencies within the city to identify the locations and to help in case of an actual emergency.

## Minutes of N.L.I.A. May 11, 1998

Mary Ann Middleton, with the American Legion, spoke on getting a city wide effort to get everyone to fly the American flag. This would start on Memorial Day and run through Veterans's Day. Ted and Debbie Chalender went to City Hall and spoke up on building on properties in the flood plain. The were suggesting that the city look at the ideas that we had discussed and suggested in September, 1997. The City will be looking at this soon. Ted said we need to stay on the storm water issues and flooding. Ted spoke of a F.M.C. siren being installed and a new plan to educate the public for possible emergency situations. The NLIA picnic will be the second Monday in September at John Taylor Park, 6:00 p.m. -217.19 checking, 33 petty cash and a total of 36 members.

## U. P. Depot / Visitor's Center

The Visitor's Center at the Union Pacific Depot has a theater in the room at the east end of the depot. Every hour on the hour a film on the history of the City of Lawrence from 1854 to present is shown. The film is 28 minutes long and gives a look into the history of Lawrence.

## North Lawrence Courier

### Would You Need Help???

In the event of an emergency that required you to evacuate your home, would you need assistance? The North Lawrence Improvement Association is trying to identify residents in the neighborhood that would need assistance in the event of a major disaster that would require the evacuation of the area.

If you are handicapped or disabled, and would require assistance to evacuate your home in case of an area wide emergency, we want to help get this information to the Douglas County Emergency Preparedness Center. All we need is your address, you do not have to give your name if you wish. Contact Ted Boyle @ 842-7232 or Rich Hedges 843-0498 so we can pass this information to the Emergency Preparedness people. If you know of a neighbor that may need this assistance, make sure they know that help is available if they want it.

### New Floodplain Regulations

New Floodplain Fill Properties the Following Regulations shall apply:

- 1. No fill dirt shall be placed closer than 5' to the perimeter lot line(s).
- 2. Fill dirt shall be placed on a lot so that it does not exceed a 3:1 slope.
- 3. Where additional elevation is needed to meet the requirements in the City Code [re: Chapter 20, Article 9A, Section 9A07], over the height which can be achieved from a 3:1 slope, the additional elevation shall be met through the use of vertical walls and the development of non-residential areas e.g., garages, crawl spaces with gravel floors, or similar structurally sound designs, as part of the residential structure.

North Lawrence Improvement Association offers \$100.00 Reward for Information leading to the arrest and conviction of person or persons vandalizing public or private property, 842-7232

# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM

Summer/Fall 1998

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

Homes are full of hazardous substances. Detergents, degreasers, household cleaners, automotive lubricants, paint strippers, stain removers, and do-it-yourself aids have made our homes miniature chemical warehouses.

These substances may be poisonous, flammable, corrosive, reactive or carcinogenic. Improper disposal may contaminate the air, the soil, or water and endanger the environment. Many substances are not readily biodegradable, and concentrate in food chains.

Improper use of these products can present a danger to health. They may be ingested, absorbed through the skin, or inhaled. Hazardous products present two types of dangers to health and the environment: acute or chronic. Acute effects are immediate and characterized by severe symptoms with a sudden reaction. Chronic effects are gradual and occur through repeated exposure over an extended period of time.

To avoid these scenarios, the best thing to do with a leftover product is to use it all according to the label directions or find someone that will use it. Some household hazardous substances, including batteries, used motor oil, and antifreeze can be recycled. Proper disposal, for many household hazardous substances, is utilizing a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Facility.

CITY OF LAWRENCE-DOUGLAS CO. HHW COLLECTION FACILITY. Open for drop off, third Saturdays, April through October. Location: Douglas County Public Works Yard -711 E. 23rd

Turn South from 23rd on either side of overpass.

COLLECTION DATES FOR 1998	
Saturday, April 18, 1998 Saturday, May 16, 1998 Saturday, June 20, 1998 Saturday, July 18, 1998 Saturday, August 15, 1998 Saturday, September 19, 1998 Saturday, October 17, 1998	
COLLECTION TIME	
8 am to Noon	

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

During our HHW collection program, Douglas County residents may bring in, at no cost, household hazardous materials. Citizens volunteering on-site for the program will direct you to the unloading site, record tracking information, unload your vehicle, and record and pack your hazards in drums for shipment. The process happens within a few minutes without you having to get out of your vehicle!

Some of the materials with reuse potential are offered back to the public through our Product Reuse Program. Many products are shipped to be recycled or used as alternative derived fuel. Hazardous waste items are disposed of properly in a federally-approved hazardous waste landfill or high temperature incinerator.

PEST CONTROL PRO	DUCTS	
Pesticides	Fungicides	Herbicides
Roach & Ant Killers	Rat & Mice Killers	Insecticides
Arsenicals	Botanicals	Carbonates
Thlorinated Hydrocarbons	Organic Phosphates	
HOUSEHOLD CLEAN	IING PRODUCTS	
Oven Cleaners	Toilet Cleaners	Drain Cleaners
Disinfectants	Rug Cleaners	Floor Cleaners
Abrasive Cleaners & Powders	Photographic Chemicals	Ammonia Based Cleaners
Furniture Polish	Bleach Cleaners	Mothballs
Pool Chemicals		
PAINTS AND HOBBY	y supplies	
enamel or Oil Based Paints	Rust Inhibiting Paints	Thinners & Turpentine
Furniture Strippers	Wood Preservatives	Stains & Finishes
AUTOMOTIVE PROJ	DUCTS	
Antifreeze	Transmission Fluids	Brake Fluids
MISCELLANEOUS PRI	ODUCTS	
Household Batteries	Nail Polishes & Removers	Hair & Deodorant Aerosol Sprays

MATERIAL NOT ACCEPTED AT THE FACILITY		
Unknown Materials (No Labels)	Infectious Wastes (Medical)	Radioactive Wastes (Smoke Alarms)
Explosives	Ammunition	Asbestos VRE
Fluorescent Light Tubes	Compressed Gas Cylinders	P



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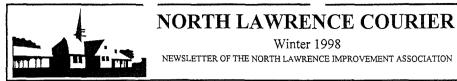
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NEXT N.L.I.A. MEETING MONDAY MARCH 9TH 7:00 P.M. IOOF HALL

### WOODLAWN NEWS

Winter 1998

NEWSLETTER OF THE NORTH LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Woodlawn School is participating in the Dillon's receipt program. Collect those gold receipts and turn them in to the Woodlawn office. They have been a valuable resource in the past. Through this program, we have been able to receive a new computer with printer, software, Geo Safari, a full size skeleton, lego table, tunnel, teaching clock, busy table, a basketball goal for the Kindergarten, 35mm camera. lazer discs and books. We are also doing the for "Campbell's Labels

Education" program. Cut labels off Campbell's Soup, Tomato Juice & Ramen Noodles, Open Pit BBO Sauce, Swanson's soups, Pepperidge Farms soups, Prego Sauces, V8 Juice, Franco American gravy and pasta products; UPC codes from Farms Pepperidge cookies. crackers, croutons & frozen items, Swanson's frozen dinners, broths & Great Start breakfasts: lids from Vlasic pickles, V\* & Tomato juices, Pace Picanti sauce. Milwaukee's Pickles. Campbell's Ramen Noodle & microwave soups. These can be used to receive equipment for the school.

Woodlawn School will be having

a Talent Show/Ice Cream Social on Thursday May 7th at the gym. We have a lot of talented people here at Woodlawn. Come and enjoy the evening with us. Please check with Woodlawn's office to confirm this day and time as the date gets closer.

Every year the Woodlawn PTO purchases a number of Worlds of Fun and Oceans of Fun tickets and have these available at discounted prices. These tickets are available to anyone on a first come, first serve basis until they are gone. For information on these tickets, contact Deb Vannicola, Woodlawn secretary and PTO treasurer, at the school office or at my home number, 842-4538.

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### Minutes N.L.I.A. Meeting October 13,1997

7:05 meeting called to order by N.L.I.A. President Ted Boyle. Tametra Nunn from the City of Lawrence Housing and Neighborhood Development spoke to the group about updating the CDBG program. The last time it was updated was in 1987. She also passed out a survey concerning the neighborhood needs.

Maxine Lee suggested putting a copy of this survey in our next newsletter to possibly get more response.

The group brought up questions pertaining to 8th & Ash and 7th & Lyons street drainage problems. Ted stated that he would contact George Williams about the issues. Mrs. Lowther spoke of the fire that burned the front house on their property at 1480 N. 1700 Rd. (509 North St.). She spoke that they were trying to find out if there was any historical value to the house. They were trying to decide whether to save the house or not. She spoke that if they end up leveling the home, they may try to build a monument or a small park in remembrance of the child that perished in the fire.

The yearly vote was taken on officers for 1997/1998. The membership voted to keep the same officers in place for the coming year.

## Meeting adjourned. Minutes N.L.I.A. Meeting

November 10,1997

Tametra Nunnfrom the City ofLawrenceHousingandNeighborhoodDevelopment

N.L.I.A. Neighborhood Garage/Yard Sale Saturday May 9th

THE FOLLOWING NEIGHBORHOOD MERCHANTS HELP SUPPORT THE NORTH LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION AND THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD. WE THANK THEM FOR THEIR SUPPORT. SUPPORT THEM BY PATRONIZING THEIR BUSINESSES.

> CHRIS'S FRESH MARKET PLACE • 608 North 2nd Street JAMES GANG AUTOMOTIVE • 300 Locust Street JOHNNY'S TAVERN • 401 North 2nd Street LONNIE'S RECYCLING • 501 Maple Street

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returned and gave results of the survey she passed out at the October meeting. The group discussed the results of the survey.

Ted advised he had contacted the Fire, Police departments and Fred Von Ahrens at F.M.C. and they will have speakers at our meetings starting in January.

Ted spoke of the upcoming C.D.B.G. budget requests and said the items we were requesting funds for the 1998-1999 fiscal year were our operating expenses and neighborhood cleanup.

## Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm. <u>Minutes N.L.I.A. Meeting</u> 12/8/97

Ted spoke of ways to increase attendance to our monthly

meetings. He invited ideas on how to do this.

He also asked for ideas on what projects to request C.D.B.G. funding for the coming fiscal year. There was discussion on what the neighborhood should request.

### Meeting adjourned

## Minutes N.L.I.A. Meeting 1/12/98

Ted Spoke of money for the future year in CDBG funds. He will attend a meeting this Wednesday 1/14/98 at City Hall on CDBG. This year's request from the N.L.I.A. is \$3,845.00. Ted brought up the idea of promoting the N.L.I.A. more in Journal World ads to get more response from the neighborhood Page 3 NORTH LAWRENCE COURIER WINTER 1998 NEWSLETTER OF THE N.L.I.A.

to attend the meetings. More money was requested in the CDBG money for this additional expense.

Ted also spoke of trying to get different City and local representatives to come out to our monthly meetings. Individuals from the fire department, police, etc.

The group spoke of having the Lawrence Police Dept. over next month, then possibly fire department, Lawrence recycling Dept. and/or F.M.C. representatives. Meeting adjourned. <u>Annual Neighborhood</u> <u>Garage & Lawn Sale</u> May 9, 1998

This years neighborhood garage & lawn sale will be on Saturday May 9th. We need someone to help coordinate securing signs and notices for this year's event. If you would like to help with this, please contact Ted Boyle @ 843-7232 or Rich Hedges @ 843-0498.

## U.P. Depot/Vistors Center

The Visitor's Center at the Union Pacific depot has a theater in the room at the east end of the depot. Every hour on the hour a film on the history of the City of Lawrence from 1854 to present is shown. The film is 28 minutes long and gives a look into the history of Lawrence.

# NORTH LAWRENCE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 8 Meeting - FMC update on ground water and shelter-inplace and plant new warning siren.

April 12 Meeting - Douglas County Emergency Management, Paula Phillips, to answer questions about any emergency at FMC plant and plant siren and severe spring storms and tornadoes.

May 10 Meeting - FMC and U.P. Railroad to answer any questions bout how many trains are running and new siding to park waiting trains.

April 9 - Neighbor Clean Up

May 8 - Neighbor Garage Sale

May 10 - FMC follow up and shelter-in-place and warning siren.

# 1999 NLIA Neighborhood Garage / Yard Sale Saturday, May 9th

North Lawrence Improvement Association 310 Elm Street Lawrence, KS 66044

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# What is the N.L.I.A.?

The North Lawrence Improvement Association is a nonprofit neighborhood organization. Dues are \$1 per year per person. Many NLIA projects, including this newsletter, are paid for by Community Development Funding.

## Meetings / Membership Information

The North Lawrence Improvement Association meets at 7:00 P.M. on the second Monday each month from October through May at the Odd Fellows Hall at 615 Lincoln Street. A potluck picnic is held the Second Monday in September at John Taylor Park at 7th & Walnut Streets. Everyone is encouraged to attend these meetings. Annual dues are \$1.00 per person in household.

> The NLLA is YOU!! YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE !! Please join and attend any meetings you can.

North Lawrence Improvement Association

President • Ted Boyle • 842-7232 Vice Pres. • Debbie Chalender • 843-6408 Secretary • Jeff Joseph • 841-1284

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**Clothing Needed** 

Woodlawn's clothing room could use

some jogging pants and sweat shirts in

all sizes. Also, with the warm weather

coming, cotton-shirts in all sizes would

Parents, please remind your children that

pagers will be taken if they are brought

Bad Weather School Closing

If winter weather forces a closing of

schools you can hear the news on area

radio and television stations just as soon

as a decision is made. You can listen to:

KLWN, AM 1320 KSNT, Channel 27

KLZR, FM 105.9 KTKA, Channel 49

After 6 a.m. you can call the Access Line

Woodlawn Partners with KU

· We are please to have two student

teachers at Woodlawn this semester.

Chad Askew, art education undergradu-

ate, is working with Marcia Miller, art

teacher, and Lesley Johnson, music

therapy undergraduate, is working with

Carolyn Doolittle, KU instructor, is

bringing her undergraduates to Wood-

lawn on Thursday mornings to help

Kim Augustine, resource teacher.

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be welcome.

No Pagers, Please

to school. Thank You.

KANU, FM 91.5

KZTO, FM 95.7

**KMZB, AM 980** 

WIBW, FM 97.3; AM 580

at 865-5000, category 5001.

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## Woodlawn News

teach reading to students in grades 1,2,5, and 6.

The KU Adopt-A-School Program will begin shortly. This program puts KU undergraduates in classrooms. KU students may listen to students read, help with small groups, assist with classroom work, and be role models for our children.

### Spelling Bee Winner

Congratulations to Ashley Hornberger, Wood-lawn's Spelling Bee champion, Alternate representatives are Jarvis Doleman and Jessica Daniels. Our best wishes go with Ashley as she represents our school at this year's competition. Go-o-o-o Ashley!!!!!



## Storm Water Capital Improvement Plan

February 24, 1999 at 5:00 NLIA and residents of North 8th Street met with George Williams, Mayor Marty Kennedy, Commissioner Erv Hodges, and Chad Vogt about flooding between 8th & Locust to 8th & Oak. NLIA is trying to move a storm water capital improvement plan up in time to be completed sooner than 10 or 20 years. Mayor Kennedy and Commissioner Hodges encourage residents who have flooding problems, write a letter to them. Address Mayor Marty Kennedy, Box 708, Lawrence, KS 66044. Let them know what North Lawrence needs.

The Following Neighborhood Merchants Help Support the North Lawrence Improvement Association and Their Neighborhood. We Thank Them for Their Support. Support Them by Patronizing Their Businesses.

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Officers

Treas. • Mariann Middleton • 842-9979

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# Minutes of NLIA Meetings

### OCTOBER 12, 1998

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A letter was received from George Williams (Public Works Director) saving the North East guard-rails of the Union Pacific underpass will be repaired. NLIA president Ted Boyle spoke of the things the NLIA did during the summer months. He said he's been speaking to the city about the pump station at 5th and Maple needing repairs or replacement. The members attending tonight's meeting all agreed that North Lawrence did very well with our recent 5" rain on October 4th. No one saw any actual serious problems. The North Lawrence clean-up on October 9th went well. Everyone seemed to be pleased and many people have utilized this pick-up to help out the area.

FMC has several North Lawrence citizens as members coming to its meetings on several neighborhood activities. They have been keeping a close contact with Woodlawn School and are presently designing a new warning system for the neighborhood in case of an actual emergency at the plant. Ted spoke to the group about coming up with ideas and ways we would like to see money spent from the CDBG fund. He mentioned possibly the installation of neighborhood watch signs throughout the area. We discussed putting them up on areas as you would be entering the North Lawrence neighborhood and putting them other places as the money becomes available.

The NLIA voted on two new board members. Debbie Chalender, Vice President, and Marianne Middleton, Treasurer. Ted Boyle will remain as President and Jeff Joseph as Secretary, It was voted on and passed to send \$25.00 to Ellen Miller and family in memory of Glenn Miller. End of Meetine.

### NOVEMBER 9, 1998

Rebecca with the Youthfriends Volunteer group spoke to the NLIA about getting persons from the neighborhood to join. The group would work through Woodlawn School involving children in need of special assistance in certain skills. The individuals that volunteer would read to children, tutor certain studies, play games, etc. She left sign-up paperwork for any persons interested.

Ted brought up the situation about the lack of fire and medical protection available in North Lawrence. It is not planned in the future to have any type of fire station in North Lawrence. The main problem and concern is when flooding occurs at the underpass for the U.P. train tracks, the additional response time needed to get to the North side of the community - everything North of the train tracks. If the underpass were to be flooded and trains on the track it would be necessary to get emergency units, fire and medical, from the west side of Lawrence by using the turnpike. All this could take between 10 and 15 minutes instead of the usual 4 to 5 minutes in response time. The NLIA membership voted on sending a letter of our concerns to the city commission and Mike Wildgen. We would request that during severe storms and flooding, a medical unit and fire truck be parked somewhere North of the tracks for the safety of our citizens.

The NLIA members also held a vote on the use of available CDBG funds. The group voted to request money for neighborhood watch signs. These signs would be put up by the City of Lawrence and could be installed at all streets on which you enter North Lawrence, North, South, East & West. The idea was also brought up to look at certain areas that need extra lighting on streets and the need for improvements to the sidewalks on North 7th Street between the U.P. tracks and Locust Street. End of meeting.

### **DECEMBER 14, 1998**

Guests were the manager and owner along with the head met cutter from Alvin's Food Store.

A motion was made and passed to send a letter to Mr. Lewis who owns Checkers and the property that was "Rogers" Food Store, to encourage him to keep the building as a grocery store.

It was discussed to ask City Hall to help with tax abatement to anyone going into the store. Residents stated that they would support a store that would give good prices and good quality. Ted stated he would talk to the Mayor about help with filling the store.

It was reported that Los Amigos is still serving under age drinkers and Topeka gang members.

The request sent to CDBG was read. There was a discussion on the speed of trains. The speed appears to have increased lately.

It was moved and passed to give the Ballard Center \$25.00 for Christmas. Alvin, from Alvin's Food, matched the \$25.00 donation with \$25.00 more for the Ballard Center. This left a total of \$50.00. The treasurer Marianne wrote a check for \$50.00 for the Ballard Center. The check was given to Maxine to take to the Ballard Center.

A letter from Mrs. Strong, the Principal at Woodlawn, was read. It stated that the

The North Lawrence Improvement Association works for you, the residents of North Lawrence. It does not matter whether you are a property owner or rent your home. This is your neighborhood. We, the NLIA, need your input to take your message to City Hall and to keep North Lawrence a safe place to live and raise your family. North Lawrence is growing. NLIA needs your input on drainage problems, streets, sidewalks, lighting, Woodlawn School and bars. Please try to attend NLIA meetings at 615 Lincoln, IOOF Hall, 2nd Monday every month from October to May, or call 842-7232.

> Thank You, Ted Boyle President, NLIA

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architects and some board members will be at Woodlawn School Jan 7, 8, 9, and 11 to get community input on how to spend the money on rehab of the school.

### JANUARY 11, 1999

NLIA President Ted Boyle spoke of the continuing problems at the Los Amigos Bar. He mentioned some of the possible options about the bar as being closed down completely, closing down and a new person taking over and 3rd, closing the bar nightly at midnight. The member-ship voted upon this issue and it was passed that the NLIA membership would prefer midnight closings at the bar.

The group spoke of possible ways to utilize CDBG money the coming year. The subject was brought up about Woodlawn School and the addition/ improvements that will be taking in the near future. Ted Boyle and Jeff Joseph have both attended sessions at the school on the subject. At this time there are several options available to improve the school in size and updates on windows and doors. No decisions have been made yet.

End of Meeting.

#### FEBRUARY 8, 1999

NLIA President Ted Boyle spoke about this coming Tuesday night's City Commission meeting and how a portion of the meeting will pertain to the Los Amigos Bar problems and possible midnight closing, which the NLIA is in support of. He spoke about coming out

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to the meeting for neighborhood support on this issue. Membership brought up questions

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pertaining to new drainage problems as well as continuing old problems on the 8th & Oak Street area. New problems of poor or no drainage at all have come about due to the results of new homes being built on Oak east of 8th Street. Ted spoke of writing a letter to the City Commission of our concerns about the 8th & Oak and also the new area Northeast of 7th & North Street. The area Northeast of 7th & North Street has not been annexed into the City of Lawrence, yet, but will be soon, and there is a concern of problems relating to sewer and drainage in the area. The group had a discussion about other areas in North Lawrence and some of the continued problems such as: sink holes and poor drainage.

Ted said we were needing to write a letter to the landowners on 7th Street about the possibilities of moving their fences back so a continuous sidewalk can be built north of the train tracks on North 7th Street. He mentioned we cannot receive CDBG funds for this sidewalk project unless we communicate first with the property owners. George Williams has said that the bid for a new sidewalk and other repairs to the existing sidewalk and other repairs to the existing sidewalk on 7th Street would be between \$2000.00 and \$3000.00.

Commission Candidates, Mr. Henderson and Mr. Parks. End of Meeting.

> North Lawrence Improvement Association offers \$100.00 Reward for Information leading to the arrest and conviction of person or

persons vandalizing public or private property. 842-7232

support New Floodplain Fill Properties the Following Regulations shall apply:

 No fill dirt shall be placed closer than 5' to the perimeter lot line(s).

New Floodplain Regulations

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- 2. Fill dirt shall be placed on a lot so that it does not exceed a 3:1 slope.
- 3. Where additional elevation is needed to meet the requirements in the City Code [re: Chapter 20, Article 9A, Section 9A07], over the height which can be achieved from a 3:1 slope, the additional elevation shall be met through the use of vertical walls and the development of non-residential areas e.g., garages, crawl spaces with gravel floors, or similar structurally sound designs, as part of the residential structure.

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North Lawrence Calendar of Events

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NLIA Meetings 7pm 100F Hall 6th & Lincoln April 8 May 13 October 14 November 11

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North Lawrence Improvement Association

310 Elm Street

Lawrence, KS 66044

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Johnny's Tavern – 410 North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street 

Ted's Autowerks - 229 Elm \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

James Gang Automotive - 310 Locust Street \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \*

Lonnie's Recycling – 501 Maple Street \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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Meetings / Member Information

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April 8 May 13 October 14 November 11

If you want to be called or emailed to be reminded of the meetings let Star know.

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How to contact NLIA Officers

President	Ted Boyle	842-7232
Vice President	Maxine Lee	
Secretary	Jeff Joseph	841-1284
Treasurer	Bev Cates	843-8799
Coordinator	Star Straf	842-5185
Online	http://www.nlia.lawrence.com/	

To add something to the web site or future newsletters, or to get on the meeting e-mail reminder list contact Star at star@prairienet.org \*\*\*\*\*

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Flowers and Plants needed Woodlawn is looking for donations of flower bulbs, flowers and plants for the Gazebo just east of the school. This is a student project. Please contact Joni Appleman (principal) or Deb Vannicola (secretary) 832-5920

Title I Summer School at Woodlawn The Title I "Jump Start" elementary summer program will be held at Kennedy, New York, East Heights, Pickney, and Woodlawn from Monday, July 22 through Thursday, August 8 from 8:00 to 12:00 No classes will be held on Fridays. If recommended by his/her classroom teacher, any student who attends Kennedy, New York, and East heights is eligible to enroll. Only students who are served through the title reading and math programs at Woodlawn, Hillcrest, Cordley and Pickney may enroll in the Jump Start summer program. Call your school to check your child's eligibility. No fees will be charged to students eligible for the Title I summer program. Ask for enrollment forms in the office. Library media centers in each of these schools will be open during summer school hours which are July 22-August 8, Monday - Thursday 8am-noon. Breakfast and Lunch will be provided.

### Preschool Summer School

The Readiness Preschool will offer a summer school session for students who are currently served in the program. Classes will be held at East Heights for students attending the East Heights and Centennial programs and at Pickney for children attending the Pickney and Woodlawn programs. Classes will be held July 22 to August 8, Monday-Thursday 8am-noon with breakfast and lunch provided.

No Pagers Please Parents please remind your children that pagers will be taken if they are brought to school. Thank you.





Thank you Century Homes for donating \$100 to NLIA in September 2001 \* AND\*

Thank you to Johnny's Tavern for a \$25 Gift Certificate door prize. Gunter won

the prize at December's meeting.



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### Compost Bin Sale April 13

Lawrence Waste Reduction and Recycling Division is holding a compost bin sale on Saturday, April 13 from 8:00AM to 12:00PM (or while supplies last) at the Wal-Mart Parking Lot at 3300 lowa Street. The compost bin has 15+ cubic foot capacity, is made from 50% recycled plastic, and is very easy to assemble. Bins are offered to Lawrence residents for only \$10.00. For info call 832-3030

Neighborhood Garage Sale May 11 8am till who knows when? Come tour North Lawrence and find the treasures you just can't live without. There will be an ad in the Journal World. If you want a listing on the web page let Star know.

### Annual Picnic/Potluck Sept 9

Our annual picnic/potluck will be held September 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at John Taylor park. NLIA will provide drinks and tableware. All are welcome.

The passing of two members of our community saddens NLIA. Julie Bond, former president of NLIA, passed away March 8th and was buried on the 12<sup>th</sup>. Ellen Penfold passed away March 12<sup>th</sup> and was buried on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Ellen was a long time member of NLIA until she moved to Milton, Florida last September.

### Neighborhood Programs Specialist

Cindy Nau is the Neighborhood Programs Specialist for the City of Lawrence (City). She has been in the position since April of 2000. Cindy functions as a central contact between the City and Lawrence citizens. She is able to assist citizens with issues and direct them to the correct person to address their issues.

Her responsibilities are continually being developed and redefined to meet the needs of both the community and the City. Cindy is the author of The City Connection, a newsletter providing information on upcoming projects and events involving the City. The newsletter is published quarterly. If you would like to be on the mailing list, contact Cindy

Additionally, Cindy attends the Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods (LAN) meetings in order to share information on a regular basis.

Her job also entails preparing the Consolidated Plan, Emergency Shelter Grant, Annual Performance Report, Continuum of Care, and other similar documents. Her office is located in the Neighborhood Resources Department, 1 Riverfront Plaza, Level One, Suite 110. If you would like to contact her she may be reached at 832-3108 or cnau@ci.lawrence.ks.us.

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# Meeting Minutes

10/8/2001 The meeting came to order. The group voted for

officers for the upcoming year. Ted Boyle will be president, Maxine Lee will be vice-president, Bev Cates will be treasurer and Jeff Joseph will be secretary. Ted spoke of several sidewalk improvements in the neighborhood. There have also been recent improvements to North Street. Grant money was also asked for tubes, culverts, for this street. Public works will install the tubes. \$1000 worth of tubes will be supplied to get better drainage along North Street between 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

The questions were asked about who is responsible for cleaning out the culverts and tubes within the neighborhood and also what type of ground cover could be used for the open ditches. Treasurers report for the month of September \$399.48. Jason Smart was our guest speaker. He asked the group to fill out a study and questioner pertaining to diversity in the city of Lawrence. The survey was the 2001 Lawrence Alliance Diversity Diagnostic Survey.

# Meeting Minutes (continued) 11/12/2001

Cindy Nau from the city visited and introduced herself telling that we can call her on city issues. She works with the Neighborhood Resources Advisory Committee. She also works with CDBG money and grants. They will be holding a neighborhood meeting at the IOOF hall November 15th. The group spoke of ideas for improvements to use CDBG money in the area. Some proposed ideas were repairing several sidewalks in the area, various ditches that need guardrails, railroad crossing signs, and guardrail replacements on 4<sup>th</sup> from Locust to Maple. The city will be asked to attend next month's meeting to answer questions from the neighborhood on the new FEMA maps and regulations. Preferred Risk Policy Flood Insurance 1-800-CALL-FLOOD ext 304

### 12/10/2001

Brian Dyar and Chad Voight from the City of Lawrence spoke about flood plane changes and storm water concerns. New regulations and maps were established by FEMA (1-800-638-6620) on Nov 7, 2001. The NLIA will be buying FEMA maps from the City of Lawrence. The group voted on and approved a check be written to the Ballard Center for Christmas. The group had many concerns and questions for the city staff. They stressed the importance of being involved with the upcoming change to development regulations.

### 1/14/2002

The group spoke of continued meetings on flood plains, FEMA regulations and future issues pertaining to this subject. It was mentioned that the more regulations we have with regard to FEMA and flood maps the cheaper flood insurance will be.

### 2/18/2002

The group spoke about the new flood plain regulations and recent meetings pertaining to the subject. The group also found out that CDBG money would mostly be for NLIA coordinator, operating expenses, and North Lawrence pickup. The group had previously put together a list of sidewalks to have replaced but may not receive the money for this. There was continued discussion about two of the newest ongoing housing developments in North Lawrence and possible problems and situations that could happened when it floods. The group decided to invite, possibly to the April meeting, the new city public works director. This will allow the members to introduce themselves and visit with the director about ongoing issues in North Lawrence. Ted spoke to Mike Wildgen about the use of leftover driveway tubes from North Street being used in other areas possibly Ask or Walnut Streets. This may be happening in the near future.

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New business in North Lawrence:

Jeff's Curbside Recycling 841-1284 offers weekly recycling pickup.

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NLIA has a web page http://www.nlia.lawrence.com/

If you have any information you want listed on the web page you can contact Star at 842-5185 or

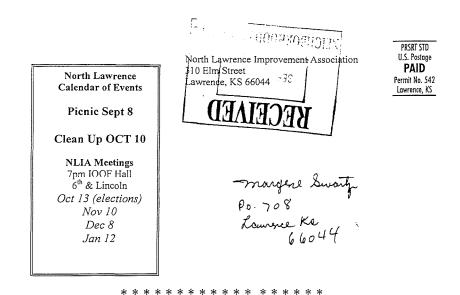
star@prairienet.org. There are copies of past newsletters, listings of businesses and neighbors and other items of interest – check it out.

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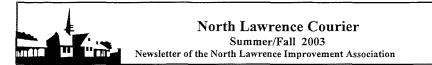
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### Woodlawn News

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9/3	PTO Meeting 4:00 Library
9/5	Fund Raiser Orders Due
9/12	Grandparent's Day

**PTO News:** 2003-2004 PTO Meetings will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 4pm in the Woodlawn Library. First meeting is September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress): You will be hearing and reading a lot about schools "making AYP". This has to do with whether or not our children are making adequate gains according to the state standard in Reading and Math. Woodlawn has "made AYP" this year. We are proud to say that we were a school that was highlighted at the last School Board Meeting. Congratulations to our students who took the State Reading and Math assessments and our wonderful teachers and parents who continue to hold our students to high expectations!

Lawrence Education Achievement Partners. Formerly called Business Partners, the EAP's continue to be Astaris and My Father's Daughter. We thank them for continuing their partnership with us as we strive for the best education for our students.

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### Meeting Minutes

### April 14

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### May 12

Ted spoke on the upcoming 150th Anniversary of Lawrence. There will be parades and other activities. The group spoke of a property owner in the 500 block of Locust that is requesting to change the size of the lot and wants to build an industrial building. The group voted to write a letter against the lot downsizing and variances for this building. CDBG grand money for the coming year was approved. All requests were OK'd. Ted spoke of the homeless people living once again under the north end of the southbound bridge. Mike Wildgen has been called again on this problem. Karen, Shane, and Robert with Astaris spoke to the group. Karen spoke of the company's history from the original opening in 1951 to what the plant currently makes. She spoke of recent improvements in security and training all done within the last two years. Shane spoke of many environmental issues with the plant. He spoke of progress in the arsenic problem with the contamination of underground water. Robert talked about the nature area around the plant. Chad and Chuck from the city of Lawrence spoke to the group on issues. Chuck spoke about budget cuts from the state. He also spoke of the city projects for this year. All streets in North Lawrence will get crack sealers throughout the neighborhood. Chad spoke of the storm water study for North Lawrence. The cost would be 150,000 to 200,000 for the engineering study. The group had many questions and issues to visit with all the speakers.

### Update on Storm Water Survey

There was a meeting to select the architect and engineer planning firms to do the North Lawrence storm water drainage study. In attendence were Chad Voigt, storm water engineer for City of Lawrence; Chuck Soules, Public Works; Terese Gorman, city engineer; Steve Glass, Maple Grove drainage district; and Ted Boyle, MLA president. The HNTB engineering firm from Overland Park was chosen to do the study which will take about a year. There will be public meetings for input from concerned residents.

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### Neighborhoods of Lawrence: Home, Heart of Community, Battleground

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# Mondays September 22 through October 27 7:00-9:00 p.m.

\$12/individual session • \$60 for the series • \$50 for neighborhood association members

An Eagle's-Eye Look at Lawrence Neighborhoods September 22 KU Continuing Ed, 1515 St. Andrews Dr Presenters: Steve Lopes and Cindy Nau,

### Pinckney and Indian Hills

September 29 at Pinckney School, 810 W. Sixth Presenters: John Pepperdine, Sara Taliaferro, Joyce Wolf and Jeanne Ellermeier

Old West Lawrence and Some Lessons in Architecture

October 6 at Ninth Street Baptist Church, 847 Ohio Présenters: Karen Kressin and Barry Newton East Lawrence

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October 20 at Lawrence Visitor Center, 402 N. Second Presenter: Ted Boyle, Wally Emerson and Jeffrey Moran Oread

October 27 at ECM, 1204 Oread Avenue

Presenters: Marci Francisco and Greg Hickam

For further information or to register: The University of Kansas Continuing Education 1515 St. Andrews Drive Lawrence, KS 66047-1625 Phone 785-864-KUCE (5823) Fax 785-864-4871 E-mail <u>kuce@ku.edu</u> Web www.kuce.org \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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4/22
4/26 1:15 Central's Excalibur to perform at Woodlawn
4/28OWLS planting day
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4/30Kindergarten Roundup

### Kindergarten Roundup

Woodlawn's Kindergarten roundup is scheduled for April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you have a child who will be 5 by August 31st, please call the school, 832-5920, and let Deb know so she can mail you an enrollment packet. If you have neighbors or friends in the district who have a child who would be able to attend school next year, have them call the office.

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### Meeting Minutes October 13 2003

The group voted on NLIA officers and voted the same persons into place. As this will be Star's last year as coordinator, Stephanie Kitten is being trained as co-coordinator. Ted mentioned the person trying to put in a new business in the 500 block of Locust was approved on side lot variances but they city did not approve the back lot variance the owner had requested. At this point the owner hasn't moved any further on this project. Ted talked about CDBG money and requests, please think of ideas by the next meeting. Requests and projects need to be submitted by December. Karen with the T Bus will come in November to visit with the group about what the neighborhood would like to see happen with the T and the area. Storm water study update: the city has chosen the engineering firm to do the study. The study will cost over \$275.000 and will probably be done by mid year 2004. The group voted and approved donating \$50 to the Odd Fellows for the continued use of the building.

### November 10, 2003

Karen with City of Lawrence T Bus spoke of continuing growth in ridership. Fixed routes in October went over 25,000 persons and para-transit riders for October were 4200. The NLIA spoke to Karen about bus shelters within the neighborhood. 7<sup>th</sup> and Lvon St was the main spot the group spoke about. There will be a shelter put in place on Locust St near the Lawrence visitor center. Ted gave an update on the commercial development in the 500 block of Locust lot, the owner has now decided to build a residential building, most likely townhomes like on the 600 block of Locust. The NLIA voted on donating \$50 to the Ballard Center for the upcoming holidays. It was also decided to bring can goods to donate to the Ballard center at the next meeting. The group spoke about the grocery store possibilities in the neighborhood. CDBG grant ideas were also discussed. Ideas voted on and approved for CDBG project submission were drainage tubes being replaced in the 400 and 500 block of Walnut Street on the north side. Ted will get cost estimates. The group also mentioned repairing the sidewalks on the west side of the Lyon street ball diamonds, and installing new sidewalks on the north and south side of the park on Lyon and Lincoln streets.

### December 8, 2003

Diana with the City of Lawrence waste reduction and recycling division spoke to the group. The city is suggesting the use of compact florescent light bulbs. They use less energy and last much longer. She then spoke of the Christmas Tree recycling program. The city will pick up Christmas trees the three Mondays following Christmas. There will be an Earth Day celebration in April (See insert).

Ted said the new sidewalk projects were divided into three different projects. These sidewalks were on the North, West, and South sides of Lyon park. These will be presented to CDBG in our request for next year as three separate projects, hopefully one, if not all, will be approved. The park benches from last year's request will be installed at the park. Ted mentioned that a letter has been drawn up and sent to the realtor that is representing the lease and sale of the I-70 business center (formally Tanger Mall). The NLIA is still promoting and supportive of getting a grocery store in the area. Ted also mentioned the old shop and business building for lease south of Johnny's tavern. There has been talk of having it open to musical bands and groups, but not officially open as a bar, NLIA will continue to monitor this building situation. The group voted to start a 2004 Christmas fund. This is something new, which would be used to support a North Lawrence family in need around Christmas time. The group is looking into options on how to find a family that is in need of the donations.

#### Jan 12, 2004

The group spoke of how it will start putting out a donation can at the meetings for a needy family towards next year's Christmas donation. We decided to get a list of needed items of a family in the North Lawrence neighborhood from UNA. The group voted on buying items instead of giving cash to this family. Ted heard back from the I-70 Mall realtor who reported that there is a grocery store interested in the location. This info came back from the realtor handling the lease at the mall. The realtor was very thankful for the info that the NLIA had submitted that he included in a letter to different grocery store chains and companies in the area. The city approved spending the 280K on the flood study for North Lawrence. Ted spoke on the recent train derailment. UP railroad will be doing a study on the derailment. Ted will attempt to get UP and Hazmat representatives to come to a future meeting. Paul gave a pit bull report, he was again involved with a neighborhood pit bull and called 911. The dog was taken away and owners were notified. The group voted on having Lawrence Police Department come to an upcoming meeting to give a crime and neighborhood report. The group also spoke about getting someone from animal control to speak at an upcoming meeting. Astaris will be speaking at the April meeting.

#### February 9, 2004

There have been noise problems with the grain elevator owned by Co-op. The fans were turned off and a silencer will be installed very soon. A representative from UP will possibly speak at the May meeting on "quiet zones". We may submit to CDBG funds to pay for improvements for the UP if it can be done. There have been problems with truck traffic on Elm street, mainly Co-op truck traffic. A possible project was brought up about a

full scale restaurant being built in the old building at the Southwest corner of 7th and Locust with offices upstairs. The developers spoke to Ted about getting variances on parking and alcohol being served even though close to two different churches. The developer will speak at the March meeting. Pit Bull problems were again mentioned. Midge Grinstead from the Humane Society will speak at the March meeting. John Barta from LPD was our speaker. John spoke of 12 actual reports at the 508 club in 2002 and 6 in 2003. He also spoke of general crime issues. Commissioner Boog Highberger said that in the future the city may have more power in the approval of liquor licenses, currently control is with the State of Kansas. Steve Steinmer spoke about the Patriot Act sstemmer@usd497.org for more information or http://www.kansasborde.org/

#### March 8, 2004

Ted reported that Fred DeVictor from Parks & Recration says the city will be putting up evening gates at the 8<sup>th</sup> and Oak boat ramp. This will hopefully solve the boat ramp party issue. Midge Grimstead from the Humane Society spoke to the group about pet laws and rules in the community. An open meeting March 30th 7pm at the Library will be held to discuss animal issues. Midge suggested that we attend and voice our concerns. Midge is a great advocate for the neighborhood on many of these issues. A letter will be sent to the city on the need for after hours animal control and other concerns. John Davies, the person wishing to develop the SW corner of Locust and 7th will speak at the April meeting. Cleanup and Garage Sale dates were determined. There will be some public meetings in April on the North Lawrence storm water study - watch the Journal World for details. \*\*\*\*\*

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### Sandrat Reunion June 5th

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Last fall our community compost revealed an unacceptable level of the herbicide ingredient, Clopyralid (pronounced clo-PEER-a-lid). Grass clippings treated with Clopyralid-containing herbicides (used to control broadleaf weeds), then set out on the curb for Monday collection were the primary source of contamination. If you set out grass and leaves for curbside collection do not purchase or use herbicides products on your lawn that contain Clopyralid. If you choose to use such herbicides, please do not set out your grass clippings for Monday collection. Mulch mow (grasscycle) your clippings back onto your lawn. Grass clippings are 85-95% water, decompose quickly and provide nitrogen back to the soil. For more information (and a list of herbicides containing Clopyralid) please visit the City's website www.LawrenceRecycles.org or call 832-3030.

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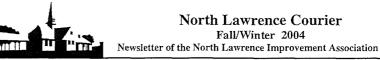
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Ted spoke about the vacant lot on the 500 block of Locust. The owner wants to develop the properties into townhomes and/or offices. The two small houses next to the 508 Club will also be razed to be developed as part of this plan. It was mentioned that \$900 will not be paid to the NLIA for the second brush pick up. John Davis spoke about the building at 7<sup>th</sup> and Locust. He bought it and has some ideas on what to do with it. It is zoned M-3 currently. His idea is loft apartments upstairs with a full service restaurant downstairs. The group had many questions about cost, parking, building repair. traffic, etc. It was presented to the group that this was all in the pre-planning stages. Zoning and city codes, church approval for liquor license and parking planning are the next stages. John will come back to NLIA with ideas.

Karen and Shane with Astaris plant spoke to the group. Originally built by Westvaco in 1950, Astaris became a joint venture company in 2000. The plant is mainly a food ingredient plant but also makes high quality acid that is used in computers, phones, and flat screen TVs. Phosphate is the main thing made at the local plant. Competition is very tough and the plant is expanding and stepping up production to stay competitive, investing 5 million dollars in the near future. They will be building a drumming plant early next year to bring the drumming near plant early next year to bring the drumming near plant early next year to bring the drumming and shipping in house. Astaris has hired 15-18 new people due to this expansion. Shane then talked about environmental issues. Air quality and arsenic. New technology is being tested this coming year to clean up the remaining arsenic. Next month UP will send a speaker. Union Pacific has mentioned remote controlled/driverless trains on their line, NLIA will coordinate with the city to oppose these in North Lawrence. We are supportive of the absence of the train whistles and are attempting to get quiet zones declared within the neighborhood.

### May 11, 2004

Ted started the meeting with an update on the 500 block of Locust. Plans are moving forward through City Hall on this. There are still issues with the alley and development. Update on the Union Pacific tracks; they will soon become a quiet zone through North Lawrence, which means no whistles within the area north at the Teepee Junction to the crossing just east of the Astaris plant. Paul Warner, the architect working with John Davis on the 7<sup>th</sup> and Locust development spoke. Paul mentioned that they are trying to acquire the M&M lot on the NW corner for a parking lot and showed what it might look like. He asked for any other questions or concerns about the project.

Lane Sakavec with the Union Pacific spoke. Their response number is 1-888-877-7267 to report any Hazmat problems, derailments, injuries, environmental issues, work place violence, or illegal dumping. UP does not plan on any remote controlled /driverless trains except in their train yard. There are DOT #'s on all crossings if there is an issue with a specific crossing. The group spoke about the new GasLight bar and coffeehouse. There are noise problems, parking issues, and public urination. NLIA will be speaking with city personal about these issues.



Make sure your ditches and driveway tubes are clear of trash, debris, and weeds. It is the property owners' responsibility to keep ditches clean adjacent to their property.

### City of Lawrence Waste Reduction and Recycling



City Composting Pickups are on Mondays. Have your grass, leaves and small clippings out on Mondays before 6am in a can, cart, or compostable bag.

Give your trash can double-duty! Use it on trash day, then use the empty can again for yard waste on Monday.

Wheeled carts hold 90 gallons and are available from the city for \$2 per month. Compost bins with an excellent book on composting are available for purchase from the city for \$10. Call 832-3030 to order yours.

Have a non-profit in need of a fundraiser? Consider selling compostable yard waste bags. Call Diana Sjogren, Waste Reduction and Recycling Specialist at 832-3006.

If an herbicide containing the active ingredient Clopyralid was used on your lawn this season, please DO NOT set out your clippings for Monday collection, as they would negatively contaminate the municipal compost. Please mulch-mow those clippings instead. (This will also benefit your yard by returning valuable nutrients, water, and lawn chemicals to your property!)

Electronics Recycling—Limited Time Offer!! Now through Labor Day, Office Depot is teaming with HP to provide free recycling of many electronic items (Computers, Monitors, TV, Cell phones, printers, keyboards) Just drop your qualified product by Office Depot by September 6<sup>th</sup>. One item per household per day.

More local recycling information available at: www.LawrenceRecycles.org

### North Lawrence Drainage Study

The North Lawrence (NL) watershed covers approximately 9,100 acres. The area is generally bordered by the Kansas River levee along the west and south, and the Mud Creek levee to the north and east. As NL residents know, managing stormwater drainage is an important issue. Because existing drainage problems can be made worse with new land development, the City of Lawrence is working to find ways to improve overall stormwater management in NL. HNTB has been hired to complete a drainage study for the area, which will be used as a guide for development planning, maintenance work and future capital improvement projects.

Land Use: Because land use impacts both the quantity and quality of stormwater run-off, the study will estimate future land uses for the watershed. Projecting where, how much and what kind of development may occur will help us identify potential drainage problems and specific solutions. Future land use patterns will be estimated based on existing land uses, future land use plans, including Horizon 2020, and local development trends.

**Existing Drainage Systems:** The study will evaluate the existing drainage system to determine where stormwater flows, collects and floods. Field surveys will provide a detailed inventory of storm sewers, levee pipes, culverts, ditches, channels, ponding areas and pump stations. The study will estimate runoff throughout the watershed and will identify where the system is flooded.

Solutions: Solutions will be evaluated in two ways. First, the study will consider standing water and flooding along existing streets during frequent storms. Possible solutions may include reconstructed pipes, regraded channels or designated storage areas. The study will provide a list of specific improvements prioritized by the level of flooding. The City will use this list as a guide for system maintenance and capital improvement funding. Second, the study will evaluate solutions for drainage systems such as streams, highway culverts and pump stations that receive runoff from large areas of the watershed. These systems will be most affected by changes in land use. Solutions will be based on large storms, and may include system reconstruction, bypass channels or storage basins. The study will be used as a guide for capital improvement funding and development planning.

Your Role: It's important for us to understand how you are currently affected by stormwater drainage. We also want to hear your comments about future development in NL. Your input will help us identify solutions that are both practical and effective. For more information about the project, please call the Department of Public Works at 832-3143