

East Lawrence News

East Lawrence Neighborhood Association
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August 2020



ELNA

General Meetings

August 10 & September 14

Presumably via Zoom

Email phil@pcollison.com for a link

Agenda

the agenda as it is known can
always be viewed on our website:

<http://>

www.eastlawrence.com/meetings/

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From the President

City Commission Stuns Neighbors by voting to cut funding for Neighborhoods

In a surprise move in a year when the available funding for the City increased by 20%, the City Commission opted to decrease neighborhood funding by more than 30%. There are 4 designated low to moderate income neighborhoods within our City, and they are eligible for Community Development Block Grants that come from HUD (Housing and Urban Development). CDBG funds are the only funding that Neighborhood Associations have available to them, besides general fundraising (think yard sale and block party) and with the advent of a pandemic it makes fundraising this year that much more difficult. City Staff proposed cutting neighborhood funding by 60% and at the last moment Commissioners did increase that recommendation by \$1000 for each neighborhood, but that symbolic gesture still left us with a \$1700 shortfall. THANK YOU to all the people who wrote in to support the neighborhoods and encourage the Commission to increase our funding! We got about 25 written letters of support, there were no letters against funding, and one Neighborhood Association wrote in to say they were content with their funding. And yet they had their funding increased, too. That makes one wonder if public comment is read by the Commissioners? It is very difficult to give real time public comment at Commission meetings due to the pandemic and if written comment is ignored we risk losing the impact we need to be able to have on public policy.

The City recognizes that this was the first year of a new process for determining the allocation of funds and there are some bugs to be worked out. In years past there was an advisory board that gave us an opportunity to make our case, this year that advisory board was dissolved and funding recommendations were made in a vacuum. We were not given an opportunity to provide input on the funding until it went in front of the City Commission. We are working with the City to come up with recommendations so that next year we can make this process work better. But we'll have to get through this year and hope we have an opportunity to have a bigger impact next year. Once again thank you so much for your support of our neighborhoods!



Raffle THANKS

We were unable to hold our annual YART Sale this year, and we were feeling a bit bummed about it. We missed connecting with our neighbors and our neighborhood artists, and we missed out on our biggest fundraiser, so we decided to hold an Online Raffle. Our friends and neighbors donated 70 items for us to raffle off! Most of those items were original art made by local artists. So, that's rad. We made over \$750 dollars! Pretty good for not knowing what the heck we were doing. We hope you enjoyed participating, and we'd like to thank everyone who donated items and purchased tickets. Special thanks to these friends:

KT Walsh
Ardys Ramberg
EK Sundae
Ro O'Leary
Lane Eisenbart
Dave Loewenstein

Eric Farnsworth
FabricKaitHead
Chris Sechler
Caryn Miriam Goldberg
Lisa Marie Benke
Tony Peterson

Blackbird Trading Post
Marybeth Swayne
Janet Good
Cindy Bicker
David Haigh and
Kiley Powers

Nan Renbarger
Krystle Perkins
Derald Carlson
Tim VonHoltzen
Aaron Paden

Sunrise Project's 6th Annual Pie Auction!

Saturday, August 22, 2020
at 5 PM – 6:30 PM

Due to the pandemic, our pie auction event will be experienced differently; however, it will still be a ton of FUN and a great way to connect with community! Here's how our pandemic version of our event will look:

Live Auction on Aug. 22 will be held over Facebook Live! Bradley Chapin of Kansas City Auctioneers will auction off 30 homemade pies for you to bid on! You will place your bid in the comments of the event. Type the dollar amount that you want to bid and go from there! Once sold, Sunrise staff will record name and dollar amount for you to cash out after the event.

Pies will be baked by community members (all of whom pledge to wear mask and gloves when preparing) and picked up at Sunrise Project after the live auction: 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Aug. 22 at 1501 Larnard. We will come to your car to cash you out and to bring you your pie!

More details to come but we do know that there will be other awesome components to this event that include:

Music!

A fundraising Meal!

Tamales + sides + pie!!

Pie t-shirts!

Thank you for your support!

Stay tuned :)

Visit the Sunrise Project facebook page here: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2598376116930134>

East Ninth *continued from pg. 3*
recording on your personal device (please attempt to ensure sound quality) and email it to Nick at nickcarswellmusic@gmail.com. Some prompts:

What is your favorite place in the neighborhood?

Tell us a story or a memory from your childhood in East Lawrence?

What is a place that is no longer there?

Your recordings will be collected and pinned to an interactive map of east Lawrence.

Check out the Sounds of East Lawrence website here: <http://www.soundsofeastlawrence.com/>

Plus, direct link to the map too: <https://viewer.mapme.com/soel>

ART BOX

The Hang12 Youth Corps Art Box was installed on June 26th at 901 Pennsylvania St. Bring some art! Take some art!

ABOUT FRANK

Our neighbor, Frank Janzen, has spent a quarter century or more of his life overseas. Living abroad with his family as a child, and then traveling as an adult in the Army and as a teacher, he visited over 50 countries. As Frank is now settled here in Lawrence, Kansas, and thinks his traveling days may be done, he's sorting through mementos of his journeys and reflecting on his experiences. Recently, Frank shared a collection of stories with us on the ELNA Board, and we enjoyed them, so we thought we might share them with you. They're mostly too long to share in entirety in a single issue of our East Lawrence News newsletter, so some stories may be serialized. Here's the first one, *La Morte D'Afrique*. A nice distraction, it's got a sort of melancholy travelogue feeling about it, don't you think? Enjoy!

La Mort D'Afrique

by Frank Janzen

It wasn't just Camile's suicide, or even my presence that night helping build her coffin that made such a terrible impact on me. It was the fact that now, after three wonderful years in West Africa, I was leaving, and my departure was marked by death. I was leaving Africa behind, just as she had done that hot Saturday afternoon, April 14, 1979, the day before Easter.

We were in Tambacounda, the regional capital of Senegal Oriental (Eastern Senegal), where I had spent two years as a Rural Development Peace Corps Volunteer, in Botou, the Bambara village seven miles east of Tamba. And then another year in south-central Mauritania with the US Agency for International Development (USAID) before returning to Tambacounda to visit.

I was 36.

On the afternoon of the day Camile killed herself, I was walking down the road from the Animation House (Peace Corps lodging) when Pascal, driving his white Peugeot pickup truck up toward his house stopped beside me. We greeted each other. Then he asked me if I was going to Jules and Chantal's, about 200 yards away. He seemed a bit disturbed, but only slightly, as I thought nothing of his emotional state until later when I knew what had happened. I said no, I was going up to the Asta Kebe hotel.

I walked up to the Asta Kebe Hotel. It was an air-conditioned tourist hotel with a restaurant, swimming pool and bar, a luxury not found in many African towns the size of Tambacounda.

I was at the Asta Kebe that evening drinking coffee and writing letters. After that I walked back down to Jules and Chantal's house, thinking they would surely be having a farewell party, since they were supposed to leave the next day. Their replacements, Dr. Bruno Hachet and his wife, also a doctor, Camile Hachet, had arrived three months earlier and had been staying at Jules and Chantal's while they went through orientation.

When I got there, there were three French people whom I didn't know outside on the front terrace. Two men and a woman. I greeted them and went inside where I heard voices. Inside, I found Chantal, Charlene, another Frenchman, and a couple of other people. They were in serious discussion about something and didn't greet me, which was uncommon for French people. I just came in and stood around and didn't understand what they were talking about, due to my moderate French language skills.

After some minutes, people began to leave the room. I took the opportunity to ask Daniele, who seemed the least occupied with the affair, what had happened. She said that the French doctor's wife had died. I thought this meant Jasmeen Bigard, and I said, "Jasmeen?" She said no, the new doctor's wife, Camile Hachet. All the French people, all the doctors and their wives were in the best of health, and I was surprised, shocked, to hear that anyone had died, especially Camile, as I had just seen her one or two days earlier.

I asked how she had died, and Charlene replied, but I didn't understand the French well, and there was too much "gravity" in the air for me to want to continue, plus I didn't want to keep asking for clarifications caused by my poor French.

Everyone went out onto the terrace. I was feeling increasingly sad knowing that Camile, 26-years-old, had died. The others left. I was in a chair near to Charlene. More discussion took place. A Senegalese man whom I took to be the "médecin-chef" [chief medical officer] of the hospital, was at the table, and had a key, #16, from the Asta Kebe in his hands. I understood that Camile's body was at the hotel in room 16.

Others left the house or went inside. I took the opportunity to ask Charlene if Camile had died in the swimming pool at the Asta Kebe. She said no, that Camile (and now I understood the French) "Elle s'est suicidée," had committed suicide, and that they had her body at the hotel in an air-conditioned room to retard decomposition.

To be continued next issue.

East Ninth Project Update

The world turned upside down in March of this year, and the Rebuilding East Ninth Together Project was no exception. The Project team and partners immediately asked funders for an extension of deadline. ArtPlace graciously granted an extension through October 2020. The team then rearranged our budget for extending the Project three extra months (it was supposed to wrap up before August first) and for supporting three extra months of work from our artists. As community based art projects, our East Ninth artists suddenly found themselves unable to follow through with community engagement elements of their projects, and have had to reimagine their works in the new COVID concerned world. Being the innovative creators they are, the Rebuilding East Ninth artists have shifted with the times beautifully. Here's a quick update from some of the projects below. For more details, and details as they emerge, be sure to visit the Project website at rebuildingeastninth.com. There you can subscribe to an enewsletter, and never miss any East Ninth news. Oh! And stay tuned for a Rebuilding East Ninth Together Final Event in October. We'll for sure share some art and some food all in a safe and socially distant way.

WONDERFAIR

This fall Wonder Fair and the Secret Order of the Black Diamond will be creating "Symbiotic Sidewalks" in East Lawrence as a part of the Rebuilding East Ninth Project. "Symbiotic Sidewalks" offers an opportunity for free sidewalk repairs to homeowners in East Lawrence, utilizing grant money to execute the original intent of the East Ninth project by improving some of the neighborhood's most basic infrastructure. Our hope is to deepen residents' connection to their neighborhood with renovated sidewalks that intertwine art, community, and mystery. To do this we are seeking out homeowners in East Lawrence who are in real need of support for sidewalk repair.

Consideration for this project will be based on need. East Ninth recognizes systemic racism, ageism and classism. Special emphasis is being placed on supporting community members who face systemic oppression. This includes but is not limited to the BIPOC community, seniors, the disabled, those facing low income and those whose able-bodied family members are experiencing or are affected by incarceration. If this describes you or someone you love in the neighborhood, please apply at wonderfair.com/eastninth.

Site suggestions will be accepted until July 31st. Based on our budget for this project, we expect to be able to repair between 2 and 5 sidewalks. Homeowners in East Lawrence that are able to finance their own sidewalk repair and are potentially interested in being included in the creative component of the project may email paul@wonderfair.com for more details.

SONGS AND STORIES

Songs and Stories of East Lawrence -- with Kelley Hunt and Caryn Miriam-Goldberg -- is now concluded with lots of wonders to share, all on www.BraveVoice.com. Please click on "E. Lawrence Project" and our drop-down menu "Our Book, Music & Reading"

Find here a video and audio of the song, "My Heart, My Home, My Heart," written by Kelley and Caryn out of crowd-sourced words and phrases from our participants. The audio version is professionally mixed and mastered, and it includes beautiful harmonies.

Listen to the podcast of our reading from the book, featuring emcee (and our fabulous artist assistant) Kim Murphree along with readers or performers Marianne L. Curtis, Dot Nary, Barry Shalinsky, Diane Silver, Dan Bentley, Nancy Hubble, Anne Haehl, Stephanie Barrows, Joni Fornelli, Janet Good, Katherine Greene, Suzan Hampton, Kelley Hunt, Ken Lassman, Caryn Miriam-Goldberg, Julianne Patrick, and more.

Get our book -- either in your hands or on your screen. More Than Just a Neighborhood: East Lawrence, Kansas, featuring the superb photography and design of Tony Peterson, is available through the Raven -- you can either buy the book on its own or the book plus Tony Peterson's East Lawrence poster at a special bundle price (proceeds

from the book go to the St. Luke's AME Church). You can access a free PDF download of the book on this [Brave Voice](http://BraveVoice.com) page.

NATIVES NOW

Artist Mona Cliff has completed the mural at 11th and Pennsylvania Streets. Be sure to stop by and have a look at it! The chokecherry and persimmon plants are in the ground and growing! You can visit them along the Burroughs Creek Trail.

Recently, Mona's mural has become a place to dance.

In May, youth dancer Evelyn LeBeau, Ojibwa and Lakota, and Lawrence local, performed a traditional dance in front of the mural. You can view that dance at <https://www.facebook.com/andrea.lebeauspottedhorse/videos/10157808211694300/?t=1>

On another July afternoon, in the homelands of the Kaw and Osage nations, contemporary choreographer Maura Garcia (non-enrolled Cherokee/Mattamuskeet) danced to the music of Navajo-fronted hip hop/jazz/funk fusion band, DDAT, in front of a mural featuring Osage design and language, created by visual artist Mona Cliff (A'anih/Nakota). The result? A multilayered music video uniting Indigenous artists across genres and miles.

Support the work: paypal.me/InTongueMusicVideo

Artistic Direction/Choreography: <http://www.mauragarciadance.org/>
Artwork: <https://www.monacliff.com/> Music: <https://delbertanderson.com/projects/ddat> Videography: <https://www.jamespakootas.com/>

Since the project deadline has been extended Mona will be looking for a few small areas to paint on, public or private building suggestions and info are welcome, please contact Mona at jona-mane77@gmail.com. Please give a follow @spottedcloud on Instagram for all updates and progression of project.

JAMES MORENO

Due to the Covid Pandemic, James Moreno's project has been changed to a "screendance" or dance video. If it becomes possible in October to present some kind of live showing, we'll make that happen. We plan to start shooting by mid-August and release the screendance in mid-October. Bryce Heesacker will be our videographer and Morganne Wakefield, our editor. The subject matter remains the same: The lives and histories of Mexican "traqueros" or railroad workers in East Lawrence.

JUDE

Jude Black is hard at work on his plastic waste sculpture. He's secured a location for his final product at Slimmer's Auto at 9th and Delaware. Jude thanks everyone for collecting and contributing waste plastic to his project. If you'd like to continue to collect caps and lids only, that would be helpful. Lane is willing to congregare caps for Jude from neighbors. Just email Lane at eastlawrence@yahoo.com for pick up or drop off details.

YARN IT FORWARD

Yarn It Forward has been busy!!!

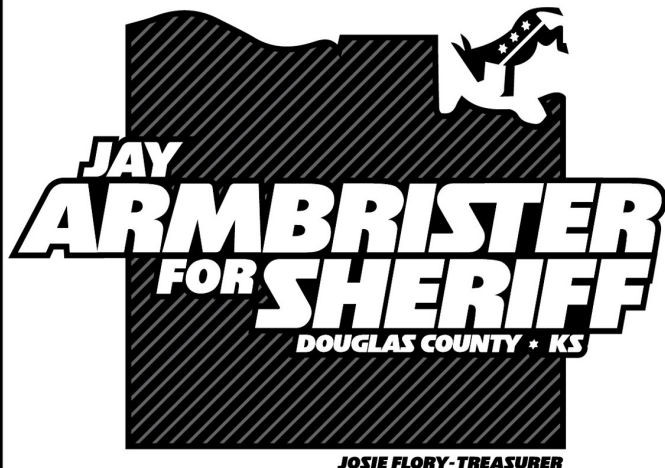
Our Art Kit Sale was a huge success and along with extra donations and a matching donation from Tom Harper we presented Pastor Taylor Verdell with a \$ 1,200 donation. This amount surpassed our goal by \$200! In addition, Yarn It Forward wants to continue to support creative minds during this pandemic with a face painting contest. We are in the midst of planning the details and are super excited for it to begin soon. Keep your eyes out for information. Lastly, the yarn mural is almost complete and will be finished in a few weeks. We are thankful and grateful for the support of this grant, the community, and mostly all of the wonderful people who put in so much time and effort to make this mural possible.

SOUNDS OF EAST LAWRENCE with NICK CARSWELL

Got an East Lawrence story to tell? Call the Sounds of East Lawrence hotline and leave a message to 785 330-5099. You can also make a

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**THE CHANGE YOU DEMAND,
THE CHANGE WE DESERVE!**



PRIMARY - AUGUST 4th, 2020
VOTE JAY ARMBRISTER
DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Paid for by Armbrister for Sheriff, Josie Flory-Treasurer



*I'm running to
provide
solution based
service in the
most efficient,
safe, and
personalized
way possible!*

TIMOTHY
***** FOR *****
TREASURER

**Vote Timothy Morland for
Douglas County Treasurer
in the August 4th
Democratic Primary!**

☒ **Vote for Sara Taliaferro** 



Like President Truman,
leadership to Sara means
“The Buck Stops Here.”

For over 25 years, Sara has been deeply engaged with community causes in Douglas County. These time-tested bonds, connections, and networks are what make her a great facilitator and organizer today. Her drive for positive change, balanced by maturity, experience, and leadership, is what sets her apart. The next generation is counting on us to get it right. Let's ensure a brighter future for them.

Vote for Experience. Vote for Community.
Vote for Sara Taliaferro on August 4th.

Leslie Soden, Treasurer

Paid For By Sara Taliaferro For Douglas County Kansas

RE-ELECT

**CHARLES
BRANSON**

**DOUGLAS COUNTY
DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

Kathy and I have lived in East Lawrence for 22 years and have raised our kids here. This has inspired my dedication to protecting the public by making progressive changes to our criminal justice system. Thank you for your neighborly support to continue this mission.

VOTE AUG. 4!

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RE-ELECT

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DOUGLAS COUNTY COMMISSIONER

PRIMARY ELECTION: AUGUST 4

Advance Voting: July 15-August 3

NancyThellman.com

Experience Counts!

During these challenging times, you deserve an experienced leader who is innovative, collaborative and effective. I have been your full-time County Commissioner since 2009 and I've worked hard on many initiatives to improve services, including:

- Improved Health Services**
 - New mental health and addiction services countywide
 - Behavioral Health Campus under construction
 - Decrease homelessness with Built for Zero approach
- Criminal Justice System Reform**
 - Focus on criminal justice reform, eliminating racial inequities
 - All partners working on reforms to reduce jail population
 - Successful new programs in place: alternatives to incarceration, special courts, diversion
- Additional Youth Services**
 - More WRAP counselors at Lawrence schools
 - New prevention programs in all school districts
 - Youth Peer Support Program—kids helping kids
- Stronger Local Economy and Job Market**
 - Peaslee Tech workforce training, COVID-19 scholarships
 - Bioscience industry expansion adds high wage jobs
 - Support for local arts, culture, museums, tourism
- Sustainable Environmental Policies/Climate Change Mitigation**
 - Focus on urban and rural farms, local food, stewardship of farmland, regenerative agriculture and soil health
 - Countywide Open Space Plan for future parks and trails

Paid for by Nancy Thellman for County Commissioner, Wendy A. Murray, Treasurer

VOTE!

Dale Flory for Sheriff

August 4

#workingtowardsthefuture

FLORY

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East Lawrence is home to many historical houses. Realtor and property owner Tom Harper knows that. This is one reason why Tom and other real estate leaders support Kent Brown for Register of Deeds.

Kent has years of experience as Deputy Register of Deeds and understands the critical importance of preserving our real estate history.

Kent Brown and Tom Harper, Stephens Real Estate

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Debi Waggoner, Treasurer

★★★★★

ADAM RAINS

COUNTY TREASURER

Safety – Ensuring staff, data and finances remain secure.

Technology – Using technology to keep services efficient.

Accessible – Ensuring offices and services remain accessible to all customers.

Education

MA in Public Administration, KU. BA in Leadership and Management, Ottawa University. Certified Public Manager, KU. Emerging Leaders Academy, KU. Level-2 Certification, Kansas County Treasurers Association.

Visit AdamRainsForTreasurer.com


Endorsements

Craig Weinaug – Former County Administrator

Paige Vannicola – Administrative Assistant

Cindy Haines Monshizdeh – Tax Clerk IV

Paid for by Adam Rains for Treasurer, Terry Manies



WOODS

SHERIFF

DOUGLAS COUNTY

Douglas "Doug" Woods
Democratic Candidate for Sheriff

13 years at the Douglas County Sheriff's Office
18 years in a law enforcement position
15 years budgeting experience
Kansas Capital Area Major Case Squad (2017-present)
Kansas Law Enforcement Funeral and Honor Guard Coordinator
FBI Law Enforcement Development Association (FLETC) Award

As Sheriff, I will:

- continue to actively engage in service to our community and require my command staff (Undersheriff and Captains) to serve on not-for-profit boards and committees.
- implement new policies and procedures to elevate transparency between the Sheriff's Office and the community we serve.
- ensure access to mental health services for all Sheriff's Office employees and persons in our jail.
- ensure access to drug and alcohol counseling for persons in our jail.
- ensure that our jail Reentry Program remains a nationally recognized program and continues to provide the best opportunities for those transitioning back into our community.
- ensure that our employees have the technology, equipment, training and support necessary to serve and protect our community.
- maintain the highest degree of fiscal responsibility and transparency about how the Sheriff's Office uses funding it receives from our community.
- ensure that the Sheriff's Office remains focused on the safety of ALL persons in Douglas County.



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East Lawrence Democrats:

We are your candidates for Precinct Committee posts. Please VOTE for us!

Precinct 39 (North of 11th Street)
Committeeman
Barry M. Shalinsky
Committeewoman
Peggy Robinson

Precinct 40 (between 11th & 14th Streets)
Committeeman
Craig Stancliffe
Committeewoman
Erin Elizabeth Brown (please write-in!)

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EAST LAWRENCE VOTES!

Get your oval-filling skills in gear, East Lawrence, because it's voting season!

As you know, as an organization, ELNA cannot endorse any candidate. BUT we can encourage you to vote, and we can help to make sure you have all the information you need to do so.

First, Make Sure You're Registered to Vote

If you're not sure if you're registered, or uncertain if your registration information is correct, you may check on the Douglas County Clerk's website: <https://www.douglascountyks.org/depts/voting-and-elections/your-voter-information>. You may also check your status in person at the Douglas County Courthouse at 11th & Massachusetts. The last day to register in the Primary was July 14th. Registration for the November general election will re-open on August 5th, the day after the primary, so that you can vote on November 4th.

If you know you're not registered, but you want to be, you can do so online through the State of Kansas website at: <http://www.voteks.org/before-you-vote/how-do-i-register.html>

You can check your voting eligibility and fill in an online registration through that portal. The good folks at the Douglas County Clerk's office, again at 11th and Mass can help you register as well. Be sure to have your ID documents in order before you register.

Then, Vote!

Who's Running?

In the Primary, August 4th, Democratic voters will select the next Sheriff, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, and District Attorney. The Democratic candidates for State Senator, State Representative, State Board of Education and County Clerk are running unopposed. Republican and Democratic voters will select their nominees for County Commissioner, US Senate, and US Representative 2nd District.

COUNTY OFFICES

Douglas County Sheriff Candidates (D):

Jay Armbrister Dale Flory Doug Woods

County Treasurer Candidates (D):

Timothy G Morland Adam Rains

Register of Deeds Candidates (D):

Kent Brown Kim L Murphree

County Commissioner Candidates:

Nancy Thellman -- D Shannon Reid -- D
Sara Taliaferro -- D Brett LaRue -- R

County Clerk (D):

Jamie Shew

STATE OFFICES

District Attorney Candidates (D):

Charles E Branson Cooper Overstreet Suzanne Valdez

State Board of Education (D):

Ann E Mah

State Senate, 2nd District (D):

Marci Francisco

State Representative, 46th District (D):

Dennis "Boog" Highberger

NATIONAL OFFICES

US Senate Candidates:

Barbara Bollier -- D Robert Leon Tillman -- D
Derek C Ellis -- R Bob Hamilton -- R

Kris Kobach -- R

Roger Marshall -- R

John Miller -- R

Gabriel Mark Robles -- R

John Berman -- R

David Alan Lindstrom -- R

Brian Matlock -- R

Steve Roberts -- R

Lance Berland -- R

US Representative, 2nd District Candidates:

James K Windholz -- D Michelle De La Isla -- D

Dennis Taylor -- R Jake LaTurner -- R Steve Watkins -- R

In the general election, November 4th, voters will select our President, US Senator and member of Congress and County Commissioner.

Where to Vote?

The Douglas County Clerk's office is a great resource for everything you need to know to vote. At the Clerk's office website, you can register to vote, find your polling place, explore other ways to vote such as mail in and advance ballots, see who will be on your ballot, view your own voting history, and even link to each candidate's information. You can find that here: <https://elections-hub-dgco.hub.arcgis.com/>. Due to COVID-19, you may wish to use this web link to request a mail-in ballot.

Most of East Lawrence is in Precinct 39, east of Mass and north of 11th. Precinct 39 votes at the Cider Gallery, 810 Pennsylvania. South of 11th, east of Mass, west of the Burroughs Creek Trail, north of 14th St, is Precinct 40. Precinct 40 votes at Trinity Lutheran Church, 1245 New Hampshire Street. A couple of blocks of East Lawrence south of 14th, bound by Mass St and the Burroughs Creek Trail is part of Precinct 33. Precinct 33 votes at Vintage Church at 1501 New Hampshire. Polling places are open from 7am to 7pm. You may advance vote in person before Election Day at the Courthouse.

What to Bring?

Be sure to bring your photo identification with you to your polling place when voting in person. In Kansas, a valid photo id can be a driver's license or non-driver ID issued by the State of Kansas, a conceal carry license issued by the State of Kansas, a United States passport, an employee badge or ID document issued by a municipal county state or federal government office, a military ID issued by the United States, a student ID card issued by an accredited postsecondary institution of education in the State of Kansas, a public assistance identification card issued by a municipal county state or federal government office, an ID card issued by an Indian tribe. Persons aged 65 years or older may use expired photo id documents.

Some Dates to Consider:

Tuesday July 14th -- last day to register to vote in the Primary
Wednesday July 15th -- advance voting by mail and in person begins. You can advance vote at the Douglas County Clerk's office.

Tuesday July 28th -- deadline to request an advance ballot to be mailed.

Monday August 3rd -- advance voting closes

Tuesday August 4th -- Primary Election

Wednesday August 5th -- voter registration reopens

Tuesday October 13th -- last day to register to vote

Wednesday October 14th -- advance voting by mail and in person begins. You can advance vote at the Douglas County Clerk's office.

Tuesday October 27th -- deadline to request an advance ballot to be mailed.

Monday November 2nd -- advance voting closes

Tuesday November 3rd -- General Election

YOUR VOTE MATTERS!

Notes from KT — 1953 Phone Book

Long time East Lawrence residents, Cindy Trask & Gottfred Beardshear (from the Blackbird Trading Post and the 800 block of New York Street) gave me a treasure! A Lawrence Phone Directory from 1953. Here are some East Law churches, businesses, etc that were here 67 yrs ago (when East Lawrence included some of the east side of N H & the west side of Haskell Ave). Just thought it was interesting. - yers, KT

Mass St: 1242-Assembly of God Church, 1300-Hartman Standard Service Station, 1400-Liberty Memorial High School.

New Hampshire St: 840- Randsdell Motor Service, 906-Lee Raymond Plumbing & Wiring, 1002-Farley's Service Station & U-Haul, 1020-Schubert Funeral Home, 1046-Church of God, 1109-Handy Man, Bill Walker, 1245-Trinity Lutheran Church.

Rhode Island St: 645 1/2-Bill Bodin Inc Used Cars, 905-Social Service League, 941-Christine's Beauty Shop, 1041-H.B. Broeker Furnace Shop, 1415-Monarch Life Insurance Co, 1428-McAllester School (odd address because McAllester was where the Central playing fields are now).

Connecticut St: 646 Coca Cola Bottling Co, 714 Pur-O-Zone Chemical Co, 732-H.N. Stone Potato Chips, 820-Leroy Rowland, General Contractor, 1218-Grants Pet & Gift Shop.

New York St: foot of N Y St- Bowersock Mills & Power Co Sand Plant, 800-Stouts IGA Groceries, 936-New York School, 1000-Calvary Baptist Church, 1101-Borer's Cash Grocery, 1200-Beaman's Radio & Television, 1205-Friends Church, 1424-Artificial Breeders Association (Cattle).

New Jersey St: foot of New Jersey-Lawrence Iron Works, 715-J.A.Brooks Co Wholesale Beer, 1000-Independent Market.

Pennsylvania St: 801-El Tampico Club, 810-C.C. Krum Vinegar, 826-T-N-T Food Products (popcorn), 832-Hammig Meat Locker Plant, 846-Standard Oil Bulk Plant, 1045-Hall Bros.Truck Lines, 1145-Harry Westergren Electric.

Delaware St: 730-M. N. Penny Construction Co, Ready Mix Concrete Co., 9th & Delaware-Continental Oil Co. Bulk Agent, 920-National Marketing Co. (Fuel Oil), 1301- Gene's Market.

Oregon St: homes

Haskell Ave: 1147 Ray's Garage.

E. 7th: 315-Wm. L. Holliday Liquors, 407- Railway Express Agency, Inc., 413-Atchison Topeks & Santa Fe Railway Co.

E. 8th: 217- Pipperts Automotive Parts Co., 514-Green Gable Cafe, 701-Poehler Mercantile Co. Wholesale Grocers.

E. 9th: 219-W.W. Wempe Veterinary Animal Hospital, 311-Van's Furniture Repair, 416-Service Grocery, 512-Patchen Electric Service, Wilson Window & Glass Service, Hopper's Tune Up & Electric Service, 712-Auto Wrecking & Junk, 9th & Haskell (sic)-Garrison Enterprises Vending Machines.

E. 10th: Stokeley Foods.

E. 11th: homes

E. 12th: 309 Green's Cut Rate Grocery, 828-Kitty Clover potato Chip Co.

E. 13th: 810-Lawrence Memorial Co., 844 McConnell Lumber Co., 1201 Malone's Grocery.

Garfield St: homes

E. 14th: homes

E. 15th: homes